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Counties formed later and parent counties:

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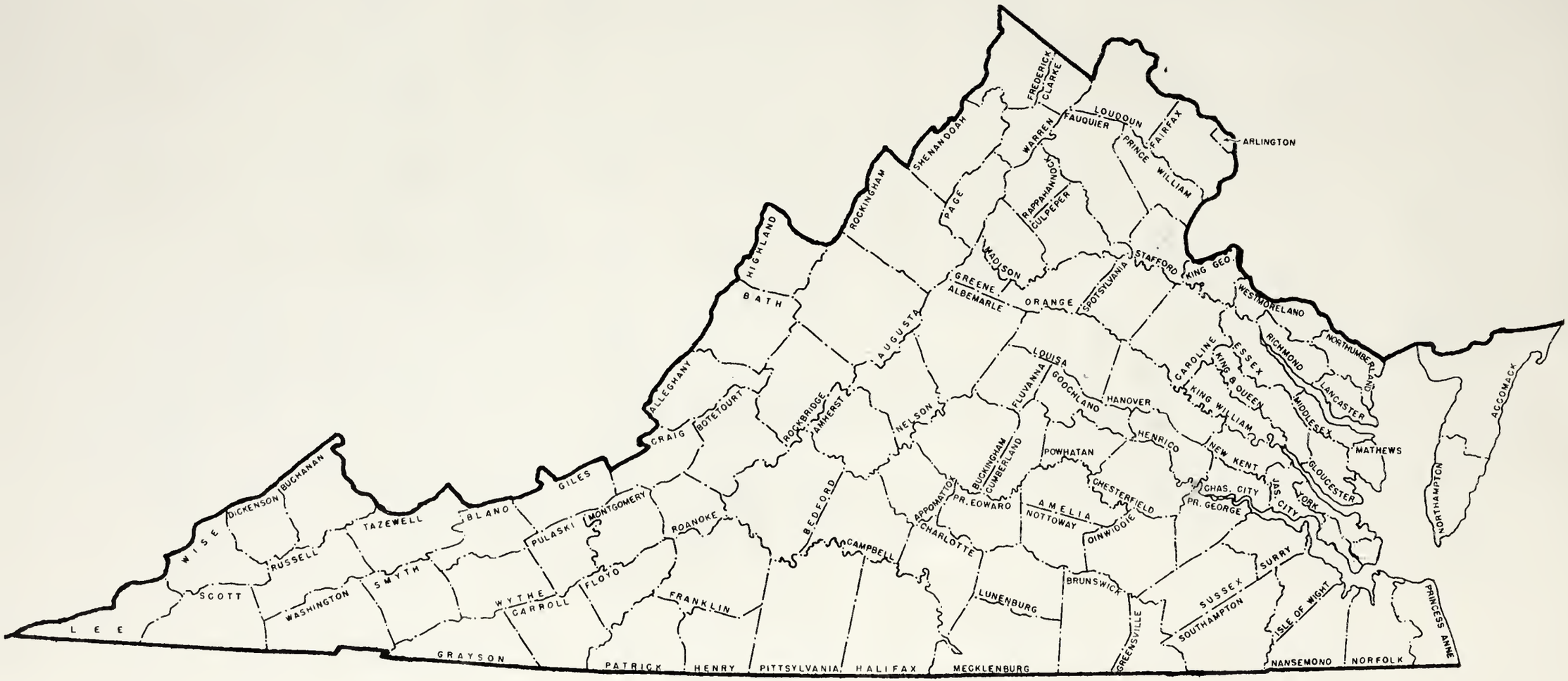
Goochland,	1727	" Henrico
Cumberland,	1748	" Goochland
Louisa	1742	" Hanover
Albermarle,	1744	" Goochland
Fluvina,	1777	" Albermarle
Amherst,	1761	" Albermarle
Powhatan,	1777	" Cumberland and Chesterfield 1748 from Henrico
Amelia,	1734	" Prince George and Brunswick from Charles City 1702
Prince Edward,	1753	" Amelia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Dear Portia and Oscar and all the Family:

During the past week and a half I have been consolidating the many notes I have taken during the past ten weeks and have tried to put them in chronological order and that resulted in the enclosed 59 page billet-doux (or what have you).

I haven't checked this back so it is just a rough set of notes. I have tried to use the spelling of the name as it appears in the official records and references, but know I have made a great many errors. I'll check the whole thing back before writing it up in smoothe form.

These notes will be combined with other information as I locate it and will probably result in quite a volume before it is done.

I haven't been able to figure out just who is who but am convinced that Thomas Faris was the son of Richard Faris and the grandson of Charles Faris, all of Louisa County. Louisa County was a part of Hanover County at one time and since the records of Hanover County were destroyed there is a considerable gap in the history.

Please keep these notes as the references are worth quite a bit and I don't want to keep them all in one place.

Am leaving tomorrow, (Friday) for my northern trip and hope to get back here by the first of October.

Since these notes are subject to check and correction don't consider them as final at all. I think you will find them interesting. Please let me know what your reactions are.

Sincerely,

/s/ Will

W. H. Phillips

The Farises in Virginia

In 1607 the first permanent English settlement in the new world was made at Jamestown on the James River, and the Colony of Virginia was established.

In 1632 the Colony was divided into eight shires or counties, Henrico County on the James River being one of them.

Between 1607 and 1656, Richard Ferris and his family settled in Henrico County, Virginia, at a place called "Curles".

Richard Ferris of Curles, descended from Henri de Ferriers of Gascony, Master of Horses to the Duke of Normandy. The Ferris family is one which in the seventeenth century had intermarried with the Lawrence Washington family. (Vol. 44, p 167 Va Mag of His and Biog.)

About 1656 Elizabeth Ferris, daughter of Richard Ferris of Curles, married Robert Woodson, son of Dr. John Woodson and his wife Sarah. (Vol 44, p 167 and Vol 48, p 36 Va Mag of His and Biog) (Vol 2, p 799 Va Soldiers of 1776, Burgess) also (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. IV, p 2383,-except bride named Sarah).

On August 20, 1677 William Clerk and Robert Woodson were summoned to the next court to answer the petition of Richa Ferris an orphan. (Henrico County Court Orders, Book 2, p 2)

On October 1, 1677 Richard Ferris is mentioned as being an orphan. (The Edward Pleansants' Valentine Papers, Vol III, p. 1652

In 1679 Robert Woodson, husband of Elizabeth Ferris, was listed as head of a house of five tithables in "an Account of ye Severall Fortye Tytheables Ordered by this Worll Court to fitt out men, horse, etc., according to Act." (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. IV, p 2382) (Vol. 48, p 36 and Vol. 44, p 167 Va Mag of His and Giog.)

Richard Ferris was a member of the Grand Jury, impannelled June 2, 1684. (Henrico County Court Orders, Vol. 1677-1692, p 274.)

A suit by Dr. James Tubb against Richard Ferris, refereed to next court, plaintiff being sick and defendant giving his consent. (Henrico County Court Orders, Book 2, p 169) This was on Oct. 1, 1684

On December 1, 1684, non suit was ordered in case of Dr. James Tubb against Richard Ferris, due to plaintiffs non-appearance. (Henrico County Court Orders, Book 2, p 173)

In 1685 Robert Woodson, husband of Elizabeth Ferris, was Surveyor of Highways in Henrico County. (The Edward Pleanants' Valentine Papers, IV, p 2382)

On April 20, 1685, Richard Ferris, William Porter, Jr., and Nicholas Amoss received a patent for 459 acres of land in Henrico County.,Varina Parish, on the north side of White Oak Swamp, crossing Barrs Hill Branch, New Kent path and adjoining Thomas Cocke. (Land Patents Vol. 7, p 435) (The Edward Pleasants Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 458)

June 1, 1685, Richard Ferris, member of late Grand Jury summoned with others to appear and answer charges preferred against them for not making presentments according to law. They appearing now alleging they had nothing to present and that their non-appearance was occasioned by ignorance of the laws and praying to be released they shall pay all officers fees which have accrued by their omission aforesaid, and are this time released of penalty of law imposed on each of them. The law was read to them by the Clerk of the Court. (Henrico County Court Orders, Book 2, p 190) The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol I, p 450)

Mar. 20, 1687, Richard Ferris, Planter, of Henrico Co deeded to James Hambleton, 100 acres of land in Henrico County on north side of White Oak Swamp. Richard Ferris gave bond to James Hambleton for relinquishment of dower of said Ferris' wife (no name given) (Richard Ferris signed by mark) Witnesses were Andrew Oswald, Edward Mosley and J. W. Woodson. (Henrico County Deeds and Wills, Book 5, p 57) The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 451)

Oct. 21, 1687, Richard Ferres, William Ferres, Robert Woodson and Roger Cumins and Giles Carter, received letter of patent for 1780 acres of land in Henrico County, parish of Varina,on north side of James River at a place known as White Oak Swamp. (Land Patents Vol. 7, p 601) (The Edward Pleasants Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 458, and Vol. III, p 2033)

October 12, 1688,-Marriage License issued to Eliza Ferris and William Chambers. Court held at Varina. (Henrico County Court Orders, Book 5, p 20) (Extracts from the Records of Henrico County, 1677-1771, Stanard)

June 1, 1689,-William Ferris member of a Grand Jury sworn to serve the ensuing year. (Henrico County Court Orders, 1688-1697, p 69) (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol I, p 451) Henrico County Court Orders, Book 5, p 69)

June 1, 1689,-Richard Ferris acknowledges receipt of 900 pounds of tobacco for 100 acres of land sold to James Hambleton. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol I, p 45

July 6, 1689,-William Ferris was a witness on a bill of sale. (signed by mark) (Henrico County Court Orders, Book 5, p 80).

William Ferris a witness to Mary Porters conveyance to Wm. Porter. Recorded Oct. 1, 1689. (signed by mark.)

June 2, 1690,-Richard Ferris, William Ferris, Robert Woodson, Giles Carter and Roger Comeings, jointly by patent dated Oct. 21, 1687 took up 1780 acres of land in Henrico County. on the upper part of White Oak Swamp. Since the patent was issued William Ferris relinquished his part thereof, never paying any part of charges accruing, the Roger Comeings dying and never paying any part of charges, etc., and said Comeings widow did likewise relinquish both his and her part, so the whole of the tract of 1780 acres of land fell wholely to Robert Woodson, Richard Ferris and Giles Carter. On June 2, 1690 this tract of land was divided between the three holders as follows: Richard Ferris, 600 acres,-Giles Carter, 552 acres, and Robert Woodson, 628 acres. The land of Richard Ferris was on the north side of White Oak Swamp and included the 100 acres Richard Ferris had previously deeded to James Hambleton. (Robert Woodson and Richa Ferris both signed by mark) Witnessed by William Ferris (signed by mark) and Philemon Childress. (Henrico County Court Orders, Book 5, p 126).

June 2, 1690,-Richard Ferris, Planter, of Henrico County deeded to William Ferris, Planter, of same county, 50 acres of land on the north side of White Oak Swamp and bounded by the lands of Richard Cocke of Old Man's Creek and bordering on Charles City County. (Signed by mark) Witnesses: Giles Carter, Tho. East. (Henrico County Deedes and wills, Book 5, p 128) (The Edward Pleasants' Balentine Papers, Bol I, p 452)

June 2, 1690,-Richard Ferris was a witness to a deed make by Robert Woodson, Sr., for 300 acres of Land conveyed to John Pleasants. (Richard Ferris signed by mark.)

October 23, 1690,-Richard Ferris mentioned as owning land adjoining a patent for 2625 acres granted to John Pleasant. James River, Four Mill Creek and White Oak Swamp. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 1177)

Feb. 1, 1691,-Richard Ferris and William Ferris with two others, submitted an appraisement of the estate of Michaell Gartwrite, Dec. (Both signed by mark) (Henrico County Orders, Deeds, etc., Book 5, p 271)

Dec. 1, 1691,-Will Ferris, Richard Ferris, John Robinson, and Ed Moseby, appointed to appraise the estate of Michaell Gartrite, Decd. (Henrico County Court Orders, Book 2, p 394)

Oct. 1, 1692,-Richard Ferris appeared in open Court and by his petition prayed that a gift by him made unto Richard Ferris, his eldest son, might be entered on Record. The said gift by him acknowledged being a pyed cow known by the name of Py and marked with a swallow fork and nick in ye left ear; with all her female increase. (Henrico County Order Book, No. 5 p 342) (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 452).

At a Court held in Varina, October 1, 1692, the following was issued: "Permit to Richard Ferris and others to the number of forty to assemble in arms and surround and drive out the wolves in Chickahominy swamp." (Extracts from the Records of Henrico County, 1677-1771, Stanard).

Oct. 1, 1694,-"Richard Ferris in behalf of himself & severall other of ye Inhabitants of this county did according to act of Assembly requiring the same Request a Permit from ye Court to Assemble themselves together to ye number of forty persons about ye tenth of this Instant with Gunns & Doggs to Hunt & drive Chickahominy Swamp for ye destruction of ye wolves then lurking wch was by ye Court agreed to." (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 450)

Sept. 17, 1696. Richard Ferris was certified to the Assembly for allowance for taking up of a runaway Indian man servant to Hugh Liggon of Henrico County. (Henrico County Orde Book 3, p 116)

Oct. 1, 1698. Richard Ferres acknowledged a discharg to James Hambleton which was entered upon the record. (Henrico County Orders, Book 3, p 307). (The Edward Pleasants' Valentin Papers, Vol. I, p 450).

On April 6, 1701, Richard Ferris, Jr., was a witness to the marriage of Joseph Woodson, son of Robert Woodson of Henrico County, to Jane Woodson, his second cousin and daughter of John Woodson, Decd. (Henrico Monthly Meeting of Friends, 1699-1756). (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 894).

The Rent Rolls for the counties of Virginia for 1704 (Henrico County, April 1705) include: William Ferris, 50 acres Richard Ferris, Sr., 550 acres. (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol. XVIII, p 211).

TheRent Rolls for King and Queen County, Virginia, fo 1704, includes Robert Farish 1400 acres. (Va Mag of His and Biog, Vol XXII, p 148).

May 1, 1707. Robert Woodson, Sr., husband of Elizabe Ferris, deeded to his grand-sons, William and Joseph Lewis, 450 acres of land, part of a patent granted Richard Ferris, William Ferris, Robert Woodson, Giles Carter and Roger Comming on Oct. 21, 1687, said tract being on White Oak Swamp. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. III, p 1979).

William Ferris was a witness to the will of Daniel Warriner probated July 1, 1707. William Ferris one of the securities for Elizabeth Warriner in the administration of the estate of her husband, Danll. Warriner, Decd., July 1, 1707. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 452, and Vol. II, p 836).

April 19, 1709. Richard Ferris and Ephriam Gathright were two Friends appointed to go to Edward Mosby and "to desire him to come to our next Mo. Meeting." (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 895).

Richard Farris, Jr., was a member of the Grand Jury impannelled and sworn May 2, 1709. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 452).

William Ferris was appointed Surveyor of Highways in place of Francis Rowen. (Henrico County Orders, 1710-1714, p 3) The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 453).

Richard Ferris, Jr., vs Humphrey Smith. Defendant to pay plaintiff. Mar. 1711 (Henrico County Orders, 1710-1714 p 120).

Richard Ferris the elder, appointed guardian to Richa Moore. Robert Childers signed as security. Mar. 1711. (Henrico County Orders, 1710-1714, p.)

Richard Ferris was a witness for Richard Ferris, Jr., against Humphrey Smity. Mar. 1711. (Henrico County Orders, 1710-1714, p 120)

William Ferris and others appointed to appraise the estate of John Bottom, Decd. Sept. 1711. (Henrico County Orders, 1710-1714, p 98)

William Ferris was one of several persons presenting claims for work done at the Battery at Jamestown. Oct. 1711. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. III, p 1983).

Richard Ferris, Jr., was a defendant in case brought by Francis Epes, Gent. March 1712. (Henrico County Orders, 1710-1714, p 221)

Edward Mosby appointed Surveyor of the Highways in the precinct where William Ferris was Surveyor. Apr. 1712. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 857).

Richard Ferris, Jr., was a witness on the Last Will and Testament of Samuel Garthright, dated Feb. 15, 1713. Probated April. 5, 1714. (Henrico County, Deeds, Wills, etc., 1710 1714, p 254). (Richard Ferris signed by mark).

Feb. 7. 1714. John Green of Henrico County transferred to William Ferris of same county, 40 acres of land on the south side of Chickahominy Swamp. (Henrico County, Deeds, etc., 1714-1718, p. 10). Robert Woodson, Jr., was a witness, as was John Woodson, Jr.

April 17, 1710. Edward Mosby, Richard Ferris and others favored the marriage of first cousins in the proposal of Tarleton Woodson to marry Ursulah Fleming. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 1092).

Richard Ferris, Jr., was a defendant in a case brought by Thomas Osborn in action of debt. Aug. 1714. (Henrico County Orders, 1710-1714, p 296)

Dec. 23, 1714. Robert Farish, John Pigg and John May, were granted a patent for 2000 acres of land in a fork of the Mattapony River about two miles above Doog Town. (Land Patent Records, Vol. 10, p 225)

1715. John Woodson, son of Robert Woodson and Elizab Ferris, and husband of Tareleton (Judith) a carpenter and merch died in 1715. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. IV, p 2382)

1716. Richard Woodson, son of Robert Woodson and Elizabeth Ferris, and husband of Ann (probably Smith), died ante 1716.

Apr. 22, 1718. Robert Farish obtained a patent for 1540 acres of land on south side of Mattapony River including the Doog Town (Indian) in King William County. (Land Patent Records, Vol. 10, p 372).

Richard Ferris, Sr., was a witness to the marriage of Dorothy Pleasants, widow of John Pleasants, decd., of Henrico County, to Robert Jordan, Senior of Nansemond County, July 9, 1718. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 1188)

December 1719. Tarleton Woodson acknowledged a deed dated Nov. 7, 1719 to Richard Ferris, Jr. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. III, p 1999).

Feb. 1720. William Ferris was a defendant in case brought by Rene Laforce. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 453).

Feb. 1720. Richard Ferris the younger, was a defendant in action of debt brought by Michaell Holland. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 453).

Feb 1720. William Ferris, Jr., was a defendant in case brought by Thomas Jefferson. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 454).

Mar. 1720. William Ferris was a defendant in action of debt brought by Michaell Holland. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 454)

Mar. 1720. William Ferris was a defendant in action of debt brought by George Ronald. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 454).

Apr. 1720. Richard Ferris and William Porter acknowledged deed dated Mar. 30, 1720 to Richard Moore. (Henrico County Orders, Vol. 1719-1724, p 19).

Apr. 1720. William Ferris, Jr., was a defendant in action of debt brought by Joseph Pleasants. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 1097).

June 1720. John Ferris, Jr., and Edward Good, Jr., were securities for Michael Turpin, administrator of Ralph Joplin decd. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 453).

June 1720, and Sept. 1720. Richard Ferris, Jr., was defendant in a suit brought by the executors of the will of John Pleasants. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 1092).

Oct. 1720, Richard Ferris and William Porter acknowledged deed dated Oct. 3, 1720 to Robert Childers. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 453)

April 28, 1721. John Morton, son and heir of John Morton, decd., of Henrico County, deeded to John Ferris of same county, 100 acres of land on the south side of Chickahominy Swamp. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 450)

June 1721. Richard Ferris was a defendant in case brought by Isaac Winston. Plaintiff failed to prosecute. Case dismissed. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 1651).

Oct. 1721. John Ferris deed from John Morton dated April 28, 1721, Elizabeth, wife of said Morton relinquishes her dower. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 454)

On November 26, 1720 Hanover County was formed by "An Act for dividing New Kent County".

"1722 Robert Farish to Edward Herndon of St. Stephens Parish, King William, land purchased in 1718." King William County Records. (Va. Mag of His and Biog., Vol XXV, p 175)

William Ferris, Jr., Deft., vs Wm. Gordon Pltf. Action of case. Conditional Judgment granted Pltf. at last October Crt. agst Deft & William Ferris his security, confirmed. Feb. 1722. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 454)

Case of Isaac Winston vs Richard Ferris, "dismissed", May 1722. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. III, p 1652)

June 2, 1722. Robert Farish of King and Queen County, obtained a patent for 775 acres of land in King and Queen County on a branch of Mattapony River, part of this land being deeded by Alexander King 1/20/1717, part deeded by Jasper Cofton 3/19/1716 and another part by Richard Jones and George Turner 2/8/1722. (Land Patent Records, Vol. 11, p 134)

In 1722 Richard Ferris was a contributor to the building of a Monthly Meeting House for the Society of Friends. (Henrico County Monthly Meeting of Friends. Record Book, 1699-1756) (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 458)

Oct. 1722. William Ferris, Jr., Deft., vs Wm. Gordon Plft. Action of case. William Ferris security. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 454)

Benjamin Woodson, son of Robert Woodson and Elizabeth Ferris, and husband of Sarah Porter, died in 1723.

Goochland County was formed from a part of Henrico Co. in 1727.

Robert Woodson, son of Robert Woodson and Elizabeth Ferris, and husband, 1st of Sarah Lewis, and, 2nd of Rachel Watki died 1729/30. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. IV, p 2383.)

Joseph Woodson of Henrico and Goochland Counties, son of Robert Woodson and Elizabeth Ferris, and husband of Jane Woodson, died in 1735. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. IV, p 2383)

June 13, 1735. Robert Farish was one of several gentlemen appointed Justices. (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol. XX, p 203).

June 24, 1735. William Ferris mentioned as having land adjoining land sold by Benjamin Mosby of Goochland County to Thomas Bethel of Henrico County, said land being in Henrico County on the north side of White Oak Swamp. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 603).

June 15, 1738. Robert Farish nominated by the Governor in Council to be Sheriff for Caroline County. (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol XIV, p 32)

July 14, 1738. Robert Farish, Gent., qualified as Sheriff. (Va Mag of His and Biog., Vol XX, p 204)

William Ferris acknowledged a deed to Ephriam Gathright, Jr. Rachell, the wife of William Ferris, relinquished her dower to said land. Sept. 4, 1738. (Henrico County Orders, 1737-1746, p 54)

May 5, 1740, - John Martin deeded to John Farish of King and Queen County, 400 acres of land on both sides of Falling Creek in Goochland County. (Goochland County Deed Book 3, p 463.

May 24, 1740,-John Martin deeded to John Farish of King and Queen County, 400 acres of land on both sides of Falling Creek in Goochland County. (Goochland Co. Deed Book 3, p 462)

Oct. 6, 1740,-William Ferris of Goochland County, acknowledged a deed to William Ferris of Henrico County. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 454)

Mar. 1, 1741. John Ferris appointed Surveyor of the Road from Seven Pines to Bottom's Bridge, Henrico County, (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 454)

Mar. 15, 1741, John Farish obtained a patent for 400 acres of land in Goochland County on both sides of the north br of Slate River. (Land patent Records, Vol. 20, p 214). (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 458).

Mar. 15, 1741 - John Farish obtained a patent for 400 acres of land in Goochland County, on both sides of the north branch of Slate River. (Land Patent Records, Vol. 20, p 229)

Louisa County was formed from a part of Hanover County in 1742.

Apr. 5, 1742. Richard Ferris acknowledged a deed to sons William and Robert. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Paper Vol. I, p 454).

Jan. 3, 1742. William Ferris, Jr., Deft. vs John Cole Gent., Pltf., in Trespass Case. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 454)

July 13, 1742. William Ferres obtained a patent for 400 acres of land in Goochland County on the branches of Snow Quarter Branch of Willis River alias Willis Creek, adjoining lands of Nicholas Davis, Col. Benjamin Harrison and Benjamin Dumas. (Land Patent Records, Vol. 21, p 37) (The Edward Pleasants Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 458)

The Will of Richard Ferris of Henrico County, dated August 22, 1744, provided that each of his children shall receive one shilling, but names only his son, William Ferris, to whom he gives all real estate and personal property provided he "shall sucker, assist and support me during the time that I shall live and I do hereby appoint him my said son William Ferris to be th whole and sole executor of this my last will". Witnesses were Charles Woodson, Abraham Truman, Ann Truman. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 455.)

Apr. 1745. Will of William Ferris, Decd., probated by William Dillon, executor. (Goochland County Order Book No. 6, p 52.)

Apr. 16, 1745. The will of William Ferris (signed by mark and without date) mentions sons, Benjamin, Abaslum, and William; wife Rachel and daughter, Susanna Ferres. (Goochland County Deed Book 4 p 524).

July 10, 1745. William Feris deeded to Obediah Smith 40 acres of land in Henrico County, bounded by the land of John Massey, John Brittage and Robert Sharp. (Henrico County Deed Book 1744-1748, p 59)

April 1746. Inventory of the estate of William Ferri. decd., ordered recorded. (Goochland County Order Book No. 6,p 1

June 3, 1746. William Ferris Deft., vs Jos. Hopkins, Pltf. continued. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I

Aug 4, 1746. William Ferris vs Joseph Hopkins. Dismi (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 455)

Aug. 4, 1746. John Ferris' negro Dick adjudged to be nine years olf. (The Edward Pleasant's Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 455).

Aug. 4, 1746. William Ferris vs Thos Cauthorn. Dism. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 455)

First Monday in June, 1747. Samuel Bugg presented ar inventory and appraisement of the estate of John Ferris, Decd., taken Feb. 1746.-the appraisers being, Samuel Bugg, Thomas Watki and Gearrard Ellyson. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 457).

Cumberland Co. was formed from a part of Goochland Co. in 1748.

Dec. 20, 1740. Jeremiah Wade deeded to John Farris 150 acres of land on upper side of Great Byrd Creek. (Goochland County Deed Book No. 5, p 501)

May 16, 1749. James Cocke and his wife, Marymagdalin deeded to John Farris, 650 acres on James River north of Jones Creek. (Goochland County Deed Book No. 5, p 553)

Aug. 10, 1750. Jacob Fearies obtained a patent for 165 acres in Luenburgh County. (Land Patent Records Vol. 34 p 387.)

First Monday in May, 1751. Inventory and appraisemen of estate of Richard Faris, decd., submitted by appraisers, John Cocke, Garrard Ellyson and Thos. Watkins.

August 5, 1751. Charles Farish obtained a patent for 400 acres of land in Lunenburg County on both sides of Allen's Creek of Banister River. (Land Patent Records Vol. 29, p 481)

First Monday in December 1751. Elizabeth Carter, relic of Theodorick Carter, in her will dated July 8, 1747, bequeths to her daughter Anne Ferres four head of cattle, four sheep, one looking glass and one chest. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers Vol. I, p 456)

May 15, 1753. Jacob Farris obtained a patent for lot No. 37 in the town of Winchester in Frederick County, (Northern Neck Patent Records, Vol. H, p 354).

Feb. 1757. In case of William Harding against Richard Ferris, plaintiff failed to appear so court ordered that the defendant could recover five shillings and costs against plaintiff (Three separate cases - same action on each) (Henrico County Court Orders, 1755-1762, p 65)

Feb. 1757. In case of John Pleasants and son against William Faris,-the sheriff reported defendant could not be found within his bailiwick neither had he any goods or chattels. (Same report submitted at Feb. 1760 and May 1760 terms of court) (Henrico County Court Records 1755-1762, PP 96, 401 and 431)

Feb. 7, 1757,-In case Richard Ferris vs Wm. Harding. Court award Defendant. (Henrico County Minute Book 1755-1762, p 65)

Feb. 7, 1757,-In case Richard Ferris vs William Harding Court awards defendant. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers Vol. I, p 455.)

Feb. 7, 1757,-Richard Ferris, Dft. vs William Harding Trespass. Court awards defendant. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 455)

May 1757,- A deed from John Faris and Mary, his wife to John Martin, was presented and ordered recorded. (Goochland County orders, Book 7, p 644)

May 7, 1757,- John Faris, late of this county deeded to Col. John Martin, 50 acres of land on Great Byrd Creek. (Goochland County Deed Book D, p 153)

May 7, 1759,-Jacob Ferris and others sworn as a Grand Jury. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 455)

July 4, 1759. Jacob Ferress obtained a patent for 230 acres of land in Henrico County on north side of Boar Swamp and touching the main run of Chickahominy Swamp, part being lands formerly granted to John Woodson 4-23-1688. (Land Patent Records Vol. 33, p 605)

Aug. 10, 1759,-Jacob Fearies obtained a patent for 165 acres of land in Lunenburg County on north fork of Allen's Creek. (Land Patent Records, Vol. 34, p 387).

Aug. 10, 1759,-George Farrers obtained a patent for 385 acres of land in Lunenburg County. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentin Papers, Vol. I, p 459.)

July 4, 1760. Jacob Ferress obtained a patent for 236 acres of land in Henrico County. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentin papers, Vol. I, p 458)

1761. The western part of Louisa County was added to Albemarle County in 1761.

Mar. 6, 1761. Anthony Haden of Hanover County deeded to his sonOin-law and his daughter Ruth Ferris, a negro woman Aggey and two children Amey and Saray. Witnesses: George Clopt and Thomas Haden. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 456)

June 1, 1761. Deed from Anthony Haden to Jacob Faris acknowledged. (Henrico County Court Orders, 1755-1762, p 499)

William Faris witnessed a deed from Walter Lee to Ephraim Garthright, dtd Nov. 5, 1761. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 456)

Jan. 1762. William Ferres, orphan of William Ferries decd., bound out to Thomas Montague. (Cumberland County Court Orders, Vol. 2, p 442.)

Feb. 1762. An Indenture of apprenticeship between William Ferres, infant, orphan of William Ferres, decd., and Thom Montague, carpenter, presented t Court. (Cumberland County Cour Orders, Vol. 2, p 445)

Sept. 25, 1762. Jacob Farris obtained a patent for 400 acres of land in Halifax County on north fork of Stinking river. (Land Patent Records, Vol. 35, p 13)

September 25, 1762. Thomas Farris obtained a patent for 340 acres of land in Halifax County on north side of Stinkin River. (Land Patent Records, Vol. 35, p 38)

July 5, 1763. Benjamin Feres and Ann, his wife, deed to Daniel Russell 130 acres of land being a part of 400 acres granted by patent to William Feres' father of Benjamin. (Cumberl County deed Book 3, p 399)

June 27, 1764. William Farris mentioned as owning lands adjoining a patent for 32 acres granted to John Pleasants south side of James River on Snow Quarter Branch. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 1181.

Feb. 25, 1765,- Deed from Benjamin Johnston of Spotsylvania County (intending a voyage to Great Britain) to Ann Farish, (Va Mag of His and Biog., Vol. XXXVIII, p 25).

Sept. 2, 1765,- William Fearis, Jr., deeded to his son William Faris, both parties of Henrico County, 200 acres of land on the north side of White Oak Swamp and bounded by the lands of DanielWarriner, James Austin, Benjamin Warriner, William Faris, William Bottom and William Faris, son of John Faris. (signed by mark) (Henrico County Deeds, 1750-1767, p 951)

Sept. 2, 1765, William Fearis, Sr., deeded to his son, Sherwood Fearis, both of Henrico County, 75 acres on north side of White Oak Swamp adjoining the lands of Robert Fears, William Fearis Jr., son of the said William Fearis, Sr., Robert Pleasant and William Bottom, being a tract of land given to William Fear Sr., by his father Richard Fears. Witnesses were: Ephraim Garthwright, Samuel Garthright, Jr., and William Garthright Jr (William Fearis, Sr., signed by mark) (Henrico County Deed Book 1750-1767, p 952)

Sept. 2, 1765,- Richard Truman deeded to his son-in-law, William Faris, Jr., for natural love and affection for him and the said Richard's daughter, Martha Faris, wife of the said will a negro girl names Fanny. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Pape Vol. I, p 456)

Oct. 7, 1765,- Absalom Farris of Halifax County appoint William of Cumberland County his attorney to transfer lands to John Blevins of Halifax County, said lands being a part of a pa unto William Farris, Decd. Signed Absalum Farriss. (Cumberla County Deed Book 4, p 294)

Sept. 22, 1766,- Jacob Faris obtained a patent for 34 a of land in Bedford County on north side of Stanton River. (Land Patent Records, Vol. 36, p 991)

Nov. 1766,- Benjamin Ferris obtained letters of administration of the estate of Rachel Ferres, Decd. (Cumberland County Court Orders, Vol. 4, p 364)

June 1767,- John Faris from Hanover County was a witnes for James Tompkins, administrator of William Haws, Decd., coming and returning 12 miles once. (Goochland County Orders, No. 11, p 51).

Oct. 5, 1767,- Jacob Ferriss was one of the appraisers the estate of William Fleming Cocke, Decd. (The Edward Pleasan Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 450).

Dec. 26, 1767,- Robert Ferris mentioned as owning lands adjoining lands sold to Benjamin Jordan. (The Edward Pleasant Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 1048)

Jan. 23, 1768,- William Ferris deeded to Henry Sumpter 133 acres of land being a part of a tract belong to William Ferris, Decd., and conveyed by will to his son William Ferris. (Signed by mark) (Cumberland County Deed Book 4, p 264)

Feb. 1768,- Benjamin Faris as administrator of Rachel Fares, Decd., obtained judgment against estate of Bartlett Reynolds for five pounds. (Cumberland Co. Court Orders, 5, p 94)

Feb. 1769, Bemjamin Feres, administrator of estate of Rachel Fares, Decd., recovered from Henry Sumpter L2 1os 8d. (Cumberland County Court Orders, 5, p 288)

Mar. 7, 1769,- John Faris, Jr., Deft. vs Andrew Cochran, Robert Donald & Co. Judgment for plaintiff. (Henrico County Order Book 1767-1769, p 406).

July 13, 1769,- Absalom Faris of Halifax County, now of South Carolina deeded to John Blevins of Pittsylvania County, land on a branch of Snow Quarter Branch, being 1/3 part of 400 acres granted by patent to William Ferris, Decd. (Cumberland County Deed Book 4, p 351)

At a vestry held for Camden Parish at Pittsylvannia Court Hourt July 14, 1769 (Colonial Churches of Pittsylvannia County) "Ordered that the Revd. James Stevenson preach at . . . . Thomas Farris instead of Abram Shelton" (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol. XXII, p 174)

Feb. 27, 1770,- Arthur Faris obtained a patent for 202 acres of land in Berkeley County. (In Virginia at that time but now in West Virginia) (Land Patent Records of Northern Neck, Vol. R, p 110)

May 1770,- Richard Fares a witness for John Almond. (Cumberland County Court Orders 6, p 25)

September 28, 1770,- William Harton of Hanover County, deeded to John Faris and Lucy, his wife, of Henrico County, for L15, land on north side of Chickahominy River containing 50 acres and touching the lands of John Faris. (henrico County Deeds, 17[illegible] 1774, p 228)

Oct. 5, 1770,- William Oglesby of Albemarle County deeded to John Farish 100 acres of land on Beaver Dam Creek. (Goochland County Deeds 10, p 154)

Oct. 17, 1770,- David Melton and Connie, his wife, deeded to John Farish 200 acres of land on the branches of Fork Creek. (Goochland County Deeds, 10, p 488)

Feb. 16, 1771,- Elisha Farris obtained a patent for 400 acres of land in Pittsylvania County on Fly Blow Creek. (Land Patent Records Vol. 39, p 245)

Nov. 13, 1771,- Isaac Echo and Lucy, his wife, deeded to William Faris and son John, 33 acres of land touching the lands of Robert Faris on the north, south and east. (Henrico County Deeds, 1767-1774, p 370)

1772,- William Farris administrator of estate of Sherwood Faris, Decd. Miles Garthright guardian of Nancy Faris and Mitchell Faris, orphans of Sherwood Faris, Decd. (Henrico County Wills, etc, Book 2, p 209)

Aug. 1772.- Joseph Farish of Cumberland County a witness for Charles Sampson. (Goochland County Orders, Book 12, p 228)

Mar. 10, 1773,- David Barnett and Barhsera, his wife, deeded to Jacob Farish, 100 acres of land. (Albemarle County Deeds, No. 6, p 128)

April 1, 1773,- Robert Faris mentioned as owning land adjoining land sold to William Gathright son of Ephriam Gathright on the north side of White Oak Swamp. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol II, p 651)

Sept. 1, 1773,- William Fairis obtained a patent for 40 acres of land in Berkley County on Back Creek. (Then in Virginia but now in West Virginia) Northern Nect Patent Records, Vol. F, p 224)

William Fariss in his last will and testament, dated Nov. 13, 1773, mentions: son, William Fariss; granddaughter, Elizabeth Fariss; daughter, Mary Gathright; granddaughter, Bedian Gathright; daught Anne Binford; granddaughter, Mary Ann Binford; granddaughter, Anne Fariss, grandson Mitchell Fariss; son-in-law John Gathright, Executors: William Fariss and John Gathright; will signed by mark. Witnesses: Thomas Martin, Jr; John Craffo and Thomas Childress. This will was probated Dec. 6, 1784. (Henrico County Wills, Vol. 1, p 160)

Apr. 1774. William Faris recovered a debt from John Chapman. (Cumberland County Court Orders, 8, p 168)

Mar. 1774. William Feris recovered various amounts from Isaac Bates, William Miles, John Miles, William Prosser, and Jacob Alford. (Cumberland County Court Orders, Vol. 8. p 94)

Sept. 1774. A deed of mortgage from William Farris to Jarrott Ellyson proved by John Woodson and Thomas Davenport. (Cumberland County Court Orders, Vol. 8. p. 282)

Last Will and testament of Joseph Jones mentions one of his daughters as being Judy Fariss. Will dated Jan. 13, 1775/. Probated July 21, 1775. (Cumberland County Wills, Vol. 2, p 184)

April. 19, 1775,- David Faris obtained a patent for 353 acres of land in Berkley County, touching the lands of Samuel Faris. (Then in Virginia but now in west Virginia) (Northern Neck Land Patent Records, Vol. F, p 350)

Oct. 16, 1775,- Thomas Garst and Martha, his wife, deeded to William Farish, 100 acres of land. (Goochland County Deeds, Vol. 11, p 55)

Nov. 16, 1775,- Thomas Glass and Martha, his wife, of Goochland County, deeded to William Farish of the same county, 100 acres of land touching Thomas Massie's land. (Goochland County Deeds, Vol. 11, p 55)

Robert Faris, David Faris, and William Faris were among the signers of a petition of dessenters (against Ecclesiastical Establishment), Berkley County, 1776. (Va Mag of His and Biog., Vol. XVIII, p 200)

Aug. 1776. Jane Fares obtained letters of administration on estate of Jacob Fares, Decd. (Cumberland County Court Orders Vol. 8, p 377)

Sept. 23, 1776,- Inventory of estate of Jacob Deres, Decd. submitted. (Cumberland County Court Orders, Vol. 2, p 223) (Will Book)

Oct. 1776. Appraisal of the estate of Richard Fares, Decd. ordered. (Cumberland County Court Orders, Vol. 8. p 385)

Dec. 2, 1776,- Appraisal of the estate of Richard Fares, Decd., submitted (5/15/1778) Cumberland County Wills, Vol. 2, p

1777. Powhatan County was formed from a part of Cumberland County in 1777.

(Oct. 7, 1777,- William Faris was on a list of persons in Henry County renouncing allegiance to Great Britain and swearing allegiance to the Commonwealth of Virginia. (Va Mag of His and Biog., Vol. IX, p 13)

Mar. 18, 1777,- Drury Murrell and Darcus, his wife, deed to John Holman, 119 acres of land touching the lands of John Faris. (Goochland County Deeds, Vol. D, p 165)

Feb. 9, 1778,- Katcread Farish was married to David Lyne Jr. witness David Lyne. (Goochland County Marriage Bonds, p 20

Mar. 23, 1778,- William Faris mentioned as owning lands bordering lands sold to Wo William Crittenden. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p 640)

May 15, 1778,- Appraisal of estate of Richard Fares, Dec taken Dec. 2, 1776, submitted. (Cumberland County Wills, Vol. 2, p 244)

Nov. 24, 1778,- William Farrish of Goochland County deeded to William Hugh Lacy of Fluvanna County, 100 acres of land. (Goochland County Deeds, Vol. 12, p 212)

1779. Joseph Fares recovered against John Mayo executor of the estate of Conne Mayo, Decd. (Cumberland County Court Orders, Vol. 9, p 13)

April 14, 1799,- William Faris and Avis, his wife, of Powhatan County, deeded to Alex K. Guttery, 200 acres being the same as devised by will of John Taylor, Decd., to his granddaughter Avis Amoss. (Cumberland County Wills, Vol 6, p 11)

June 1779. Joseph Faris on petition against John Crouch:

"The petitioner failing to further prosecute the said petition, it is consd by the Court that the same be Dismissed." (Goochland County Order Book 13, pps 51, 129, 170 and 196.)

June 25, 1779,- John Farish of Goochland County deeded to Jesse Blackwell of the same county, 9 acres of land on the head branches of Fork Creek and on Three Chop Road and touching lands of Drury Murrell. (Goochland County Deeds Vol. 12, p 270)

June 25, 1779,- John Farish of Goochland County, deeded to Cornelius Towler of Hanover County, 190 acres of land. (Goochland County Deeds, Vol. 12, p 288)

July 12, 1779,- Mary Faris (Farish) obtained letters of administration on the estate of Charles Faris (Farish) Decd. (Louisa County Court Orders 1774-1784)

Sept. 13, 1779,- Jesse Rowe and Jane Faris were married Jane was the daughter of Mary Faris. (Louisa County Marriage Records, 1766-1861, p 13)

July 26, 1779,- John Harmon deeded to William Fariss of Henrico County, 180 acres of land. (Cumberland County Deeds, Vol. 6, p 31)

Dec. 20, 1779., William Davenport sold to Jacob Farris of Albemarle County, 200 acres of land on Tare Wallett Creek. (Cumberland County Deeds, Vol. 6, p 71)

Mar. 14, 1780,- "It appears to the Court by a certificate from under the Hands of Captain Christopher Hudson & John Hughes, Ensign, that Charles Faris enlisted and served in said Hudson's Company of Rangers in the years 1758 till Discharged it also appears by the oath of Mary Faris widow of the said Charles that he is since dead and that Richard Faris is his heir at law and that the said Charles & Richard had received no satisfaction for the same agreeable to Proclaimation in the Year 1763". (Louisa County Court Order Book, 1774-1782, p 299.)

May 8, 1780,- Benjamin Farish mentioned as owning lands on both sides of Roundabout Creek. (Louisa County Court Order Book 1774-1782, p 309)

Nov. 20, 1780,- John Farish deeded to Thos. Underwood 100 acres of land adjoining the land of Geo. Underwood. (Goochland County Deeds, Vol. 13, p 79)

Oct. 14, 1782,- William Barnett and Hannah, his wife, of Goochland County, deeded to Betty Farris, daughter of John Farris, 100 acres of land. (Goochland County Deeds, Vol. 13, p 2

Nov. 6, 1782,- William Fariss obtained judgment against Fedkin Baker for debt due for negro hire. (Henrico County Court Orders, Vol. k, p 131)

Nov. 24, 1782,-William Fairis and Sally Johnston of Louisa County, were married. (Register of St. James-Northern Parish, Goochland County Marriages) Tylers Quarterly Historical and Genealogical Magazine, Vol. 6, p 24)

The following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1782:
Goochland County: John Faris (Farish).
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris (Pharis), Mary Faris (Pharis).
(Note: For many counties the tax lists are not on file).

The following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1782:
Goochland County: John Faris, Joseph Faris.
Louisa County: William Faris, Benjamin Faris, Mary Faris, Richard Faris.

A list of citizens furnishing supplies, arms, teams, etc or rendering other services to the Continental Army, who received certificates calling for payments account thereof, at various sessions of the County Court of Campbell County between Mar. 7 17 and April 4, 1783, include: John Faris, William Faris, (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol. XXVI, p 261)

April 14, 1783,- At a meeting of the commissioners to restore the Henrico County records destroyed by the enemy, the substance of the will of Robert Faris (Fariss) Decd., was given by William Gathright, son of Ephraim, as follows: "Memorandum of articles devised by Robert Faris, decd.-- The whole of the land whereon the sd. Robert Faris lived at the time of his decease was left to his wife during her natural life---The said Robert Faris in his life time divided the land into three parcells which he devised as follows: The parcell whereon his dwelling house stood to his daughter Mary Childress during her life and after death to his grandson Joseph Childress to him and his heirs forever. The parcell that lies the south side of Ducks branch to his grandson James Warriner to him and his heirs forever. The parcell on the north of his plantation to his daughter Lucy Echo during her life

and after her death to his grandson John Echo to him and his heirs forever. All that part of his estate which his said wife has now in her possession was left to her during her life and after her death to be equally divided between his three daughters Ann Warrine. Lucy Echo and Mary Childrenn."

Apr. 28, 1783,- At a meeting of the commissioners to restore the Henrico County records destroyed by the enemy, an instrument purporting to be the will of Mary Freeman was certified to the Commissioners ---- After division of her estate the will reads as follows: "Item-- All the rest of my estate real and personal I desire should be equally divided among my six daughters, Ann Warriner, Mary Austin, Martha Fariss, Elizabeth Baker, Rebecca Bethell and Agness Gathright, except the crop to my son John Freeman." (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 45

April 28, 1783,- William Fariss and Robert Fariss mentioned as owning lands adjoining lands of William and Anslem Gathright. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. II, p

Aug. 1783." "A certificate signed by Joseph Crockett, Lt-Col., Comdr, W. B., dated 21 Dec 1781, whereby it is certified 'That Martin Fares soldier in Capt. Thos. Young's company of the Western Battalion raised for the defense of the western frontier of Virginia agreeable to an Act of Assembly passed at Williamsbu the third day of May in the year 1779, is hereby discharged havi served the time of his enlistment agreeable to the said Act' is pr duced in Court by the said Martin Fares who made oath that the sa certificate is true and was by him duly obtained and that he has nor any person for him has before proved or claimed his right to land for the service therein mentioned" (Cumberland County Court Orders, 9, p 403)/

Nov. 11, 1783,- William Fariss, son of William of Willi Fariss, Sr., appointed Surveyor of the Road from White Oak Swam to Bottom's Bridge. (Henrico County Court Orders, 1, p 446).

The following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1783:

Goochland County: John Faris.

The following persons appear on the personal property tax list for 1783:

Goochland County: Joseph Faris, John Faris
Louisa County: William Faris, Richard Faris, Molley, Fa
Henrico County: William Fariss; William Fariss, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, Richard Fari John Faris and son, William Faris.

Oct. 22, 1784,- Benjamin Fariss was a witness in case o John Murray against Sarah Russell (Cumberland County Court Orde 10, p 1).

Nov. 1, 1784, - Ann Faris was a witness in case of John Murray against Sarah Russell. (Cumberland County Court Orders, 10, p 2).

Nov. 3, 1784,- William Faris was a member of a jury. (Henrico County Court Orders, 1, p 704)

Dec. 6, 1784,- George Penn and Judith Fariss were married in Henry County. (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol. XXI, p 279)

Dec. 6, 1784,- The last will and testament of William Fariss, dated Nov. 13, 1773, proved in court. (Henrico County Court Orders, 2, p 1). See 7th paragraph on page 15.

The following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1784:
Goochland County: John Faris.

The following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1784:
Louisa County: William Faris, William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, John Faris, William Faris, William and Bowler Faris, William Faris.

May 2, 1785,- John Fariss appointed Surveyor of the Road from Bottom's Bridge to Bear Swamp. (Henrico County Court Record 2, p 127)

Mar. 1785.- William Faris recovered a debt against Charles Ballow and Robert Anderson. (Cumberland County Court Orders, 11, p 293)

Jan. 3, 1785,- Michel Fariss orphan of Sherwood Fariss chose Miles Garthright for his guardian. (Henrico County Court Orders, 2, p 19)

July 4, 1785,- John Ferris one of the appraisers of the estate of Littleberry Allen, Decd. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 34)

July 22, 1785,- John Farris and Anne Bunnell were married Witness: William Bennel. (Albemarle County Marriage Records, p 1

Sept. 26, 1785,- Martin Faris and Rebecca Amos were marri Witness: John Canter. (Cumberland County Marriage Bonds).

Will of Betty Farish, dated Nov.4, 1785, mentions: Friend David Layne to whom she leaves 100 acres of land; cousin Catey Reo Layne to whom she leaves clothing. Will probated Oct. 10, 1809.

Dec. 5, 1785,- Inventory of the estate of William Fariss Decd., presented to Court. (Henrico County Court Orders, 2, p 35

Dec. 21, 1785,- Mitchell Faris orphan of Sherwood Fariss chose Joseph Gathright for his guardian. (Henrico County Court Orders 2, p 385)

Dec. 26, 1785,- Mollie Faris and George Gillasby were married. Witness: Charles Faris. (Louisa County Marriage Records, p 30)

The following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1785:
Goochland County: John Faris.
Louisa County: No list on file, but a change list shows that Mary Faris (Pharis) acquired 200 acres of land from Thomas Harlow.

The following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1785:
Goochland County: Joseph Faris.
Louisa County: William Faris, Mary Faris, Richard Faris, Charles Faris, Joseph Faris.
Henrico County: Carter Faris, John Faris, John Faris and son, William and Bowler Faris, William Faris.

Feb. 6, 1786,- On motion of Littleberry Royster, ordered that William Fariss administrator of Sherwood Fariss, Decd., be summoned to render an account of said decedants estate. (Henrico County Court Orders 2, p 397)

Mar. 6, 1786,- In debt case William Fariss recovered against Matthew Hobson. (Henrico County Court Orders, 2, p 423)

Aug. 1786, Richard Fariss was a witness for John Roundtree an infant under the age of 21 years by Thomas Roundtree his father against Puddy, it was ordered that said Thomas pay him 102 pounds of tobacco for two days attendance at the Court and coming 13 miles from Louisa County. (Fluvanna County County Court Orders 1783-1791, p 319)

May 1786 . Jacob Faris a witness for Peter Patteson against Henry Davenport. (Cumberland County Court Orders, 13, p 186)

Dec. 28, 1786. Robert C. Fariss and Crania Faris, daughter of William Faris, were married. (Henrico Court Marriage Bond

The following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1786:
Goochland County: John Faris.

The following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1786:
Louisa County: William Faris, Richard Faris, Charles Faris, Joseph Faris, John Faris, William, (son of Benjamin) Faris.

Henrico County: William Faris, Carter Faris, John Faris, John Faris, William Faris, William Faris.

Mar. 5, 1787: William Fariss and several others, includin "his Excellency, Patrick Henry, Esqr." were presented by the Grand Jury to the Court for failure to keep roads in repair. "Presentments are dismissed for reasons appearing to the Court." Henrico County Court Orders, 2, p 618)

Mar 6, 1787,- Mitchell Fariss an infant by Joseph Gathright his guardian recovered a debt against Morris Blakey. (Henrico County Court Orders 2, p 636).

May 1787. Richard Faris recovered a debt against William Fuqua and Thomas Hobson. (Cumberland County Court Orders 12 p 64)

Aug. 14, 1787,- William Faris and Alsey Hughes were married. (Henrico County Marriage Bonds)

Nov. 26, 1787. Jacob Ferriss and Ruth, his wife, of Henry County, deeded to Peter Baily, Decd., for L500, 100 acres of land on the south side of Chichahominy Swamp. (She signed by mark) Witness Josiah Ferriss. (Henrico County Deeds 2, p 5,8

The following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1787:
Goochland County: A change sheet shows John Farish transferred 100 acres to Capt. Holman Rice.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Mary Faris.

The following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1787:
Goochland County: William Faris.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, Wil (son of Benjamin) Faris.
Henrico County: William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, John Faris, William Faris, Robert C. Faris.

Apr. 1788.- Martin Faris was a witness for Thomas Bolling in suit for against David Johnson. (Cumberland County Court Orders, 13, p 500)

June 2, 1788,- Deed from Jacob Ferriss and Ruth, his wif to Peter Bailey, ordered recorded. (Henrico County Court Orders, 3, p 340)

Aug 7, 1788,- Mitchell Farris a witness in court case for seven days, receiving 75 lbs tobacco. (Henrico County Court Orders, 3, p 381)

Nov. 3, 1788. Joel Fariss and Jane Hall were married in Amelia County. (Amelia County Marriages) Witness: Peter Ellington.

The following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1788:
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Mary Faris.

The following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1788:
Goochland County: Joseph Faris
Fluvanna County: William Farris
Louisa County: Joseph Faris, William (son of Benjamin) Faris
Henrico County: William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, John Faris, William Faris, Robert C. Faris.

Jan 31, 1789. Bowler Fariss and Frances Lyon were married. (Henrico County Marriage Bonds.)

Mar. 31, 1789. David Davenport deeded to Jacob Fariss, 23 acres of land on Tare Watter Branch. (Cumberland County Deeds 6, p 514)

April 8, 1789,- William Farris received 295 lbs tobacco for three days attendance as witness and travelling 55 miles. (Henrico County Court Orders 3 p 581)

May 8, 1789. Joseph Gathright guardian of Mitchell Fariss recovered a debt against Isaac Hounghusband. (note: Isaac Younghusband was one of the Justices of Henrico County) (Henrido County Court Orders 3 p 621)

May 8, 1789,- Robert Farish in debt cases against Richard Bowler recovered in two cases. (Henrico County Court Orders 3 p 628)

June 1, 1789,- William Farriss secured an attachment against the estate of Charles Sneed for L12 17s 5½d being the sum paid by Farriss as security for Sneed. (Henrico County Court Orders 4 p 7)

Oct. 7, 1789 - Jacob Farish of Cumberland County, deeded to James Jones, 100 acres of land on the waters of Hardware River. (Albemarle County Deeds, 10, p 14).

Nov. 7, 1789,- Mitchell Farriss received 50 lbs tobacco for two days attendance as a witness. (Henrico County Court Orders 4 p 122).

The following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1789:
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Mary Faris, Richard Faris. (Note Change list for 1788-1789 shows Mary Faris transferred 75 acres to Richard Faris).

The following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1789:
Louisa County: Richard Faris.
Goochland County: Joseph Faris.
Henrico County: William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris; John, William and Benjamin Faris, Mitchell Faris.

Mar. 22, 1790. William Fairis obtained a patent for 23 acres of land in Berkley County on the drains of Back Creek. (Then Virginia - now West Virginia) (Northern Neck Patent Records Vol. U, p 532).

May 30, 1790,-William Fariss deeded to James and Thomas Deane, 181½ acres of land formerly purchased by William Feriss from John Harman on Great Buckingham Road. (Cumberland County Deeds 7, p 97).

June 7, 1790,-George Gillispie, Jr., and Mary (Polley) Faris were married. Witnesses: George Gillispie, Alexander Gillaspie, Sally Gillaspie. (Amherst County Marriage Records)

August 8, 1790,-William Farris and Robert Charles Farriss each received 70 lbs. tobacco for 6 days attendance as witnesses. (Henrico County Court Orders 4, p 360).

Dec. 6, 1790,-Marshall Booker and Patsey, his wife, deeded to Jacob Fariss, 86½ of land on Stinking Water Run. (Cumberland County Deeds 7, p 100)

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1790:
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Mary Faris, Richard Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for 1790:
Goochland County: Joseph Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Pharis, Charles Pharis, Joseph Pharis, John Pharis, Hezekiah Faris.
Henrico County: William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris, John and Benjamin Faris, Mitchell Faris.

1791. William Faris, Isaac Bencham and Prudence, his wife, against Marble Stone guardian to William and Anderson Stone -- attachment ordered at last Court against plaintiffs quashed. (Cumberland County Court Orders 14, p 196)

Feb. 16, 1791. Charles Faris and Patsey Harlow, daughter of John Harlow, were married. (Henrico County Marriage Bonds).

Mar. 2, 1791. Will of Richard W. Johnston of Spotsylvania County, names as a legatee, aunt Judith Farish. (Va. Mag of His and Biog. Vol XXXVIII, p 250)

Mar. 7, 1791. John Farris exempted from tax on his own person being aged, inform and unable to labor. (Henrico County Court Orders 4, p 436)

Mar. 10, 1791. Robert Faris and William Faris each received 75 lbs tobacco for 3 days attendance as witness. (Henrico County Court Orders 4, p 470)

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April 5, 1791. Micajah Bottoms and Lucy, his wife, of Chesterfield County, deeded to Robert Carter Faris for L41 12s 64 acres of land. (Henrico County Deeds 3, p 437)

June 6, 1791. William Farris administrator of Sherwood Farris Decd., ordered to make settlement of his administration. (Henrico County Court Orders 4, p 554)

August 1, 1791. Sarah Faris and Isaac Millway were married. (Louisa County Marriage Records).

Sept. 1791. William Farris administrator of the estate of Sherwood Faris, Decd., -- shows Miles Garthright as guardian of Nancy Faris and Mitchell Faris, orphans of Sherwood Faris Decd. Settlement covers years 1772 to 1785 inc. (Henrico County Wills 2, p 209).

Sept. 5, 1791. William Farris Adm'r of estate of Sherwood Farris dec'd. submitted a settlement. (Henrico County Court Orders 4, p 607)

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1791:
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Mary Faris, Richard Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1791:
Goochland County: Joseph Faris, Richard Farish, Samuel Farish.
Fluvanna County: William Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Pharis, Charles Pharis, Joseph Pharis, John Pharis.
Henrico County: William Faris, Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris, Benjamin Faris, Mitchell Faris.

Jan. 10, 1792. Whittle Flanigan and Judith, his wife, deeded to John Faris for L35, 100 acres of land on both sides of Hudson Creek. Two of the witnesses were: William Fairris and Hez Fairris (Both signed by mark) (Louisa County Deeds Book G, p 171).

Jan. 20, 1792. Martha (Marthey) Faris, daughter of Sary Faris, and Samuel Roper were married. Witness: John Faris. (Goochland County Marriage Record, p 281, and 397)

Mar. 13, 1792. Jarrot Wilkerson and Ann, his wife, of Fluvanna County deeded to William Faris for L25, 99 acres of land in Trinity Parish on the waters of the Roundabout. (Louisa County Deeds, Book G, p 191)

June 7, 1792. Thomas Farris and Judith Quarles were married in Henry County. (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol. XXI, p 278).

Sept. 6, 1792. John Farris and Sally Bird were married. (Henrico County Marriage Bonds).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1792:
Louisa County: John Faris, William Faris, Benjamin Faris, Mary Faris, Richard Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1792:
Goochland County: Joseph Faris, Samuel Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, William (son of Benjamin)Faris.
Henrico County: William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris, Mitchell Faris.

Jan. 7, 1793. Joel Bottom deeded to Mitchel Fariss of New Kent County for L18, one slave in possession of his mother, Hannah Bottom. (Henrico County Deeds 4, p 105)

The Will of John Winfree dated July 18, 1793 and probated Jan. 26, 1795, mentions none of his daughters as Elizabeth Fariss. (Cumberland County Wills 3, p 43)

Aug. 21, 1793. Elizabeth Faris and William Hawes were married. Elizabeth was the daughter of Sarah Faris. (Henrico County Marriage Bonds).

Will of Judith Farish of Spotsylvania County dated Sept. 23, 1793, and probated __?__, mentions that she is relict of Robert Farish, decd., and names her children as Robert Farish, John Farish, Larkin Farish, Ann Farish, Sarah Coleman, Catey Stevens, Dolly Farish, Judith Faris, and John P. Smith. (Will Book E. part 2, p 1305, Spotsylvania County).

Oct. 10, 1793, Obadiah Austin of Chesterfield County, deeded to Robert Fariss for L50, 100 acres of land adjoining the lands of Ephrain Gathright William Fariss Sr., and William Fariss, Jr., and Anselum Gathright (Henrico County Deeds 4, p 265)

Oct. 12, 1793. James Fulcher and Salley Faris were married. Consent of George Gillispie, Mary Gillaspie. (Amherst County Marriage Records.)

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1793:
Louisa county: John Faris, William Fairs, Charles Faris, Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris. (Note: Tax list omits the name of Mary Faris but adds the name of Charles Faris for like amount,-200 acres).

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1793:
Goochland County: Samuel Faris
Louisa County: Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, John Faris, William (son of Benjamin) Faris
Henrico County: William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris, Mitchell Faris.

Mar. 1, 1794: The Trustees of the town of Cartersville deeded to Joseph Faris one lot, No. 38, in the town of Cartersville. (Cumberland County Deeds 7, p 320)

Sept. 16, 1794. John Faris and Mary Rowe, daughter of John Rowe, Sr., were married. (Louisa County Marriage Records, p 68)

Dec. 13, 1794. Rebecca Faris and Bartlett Willis were married. Witness: Samuel Faris. (Goochland Co, Marriage Record, p 55 and 339)

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The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1794:
Louisa County: John Faris, William Faris, Charles Faris, Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1794:
Goochland County: Samuel Faris
Fluvanna County: William Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, William Faris.
Henrico County: William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris. Robert C. Faris

1794 Callom Fariss recommended for commission as Ensign in Captain Richard Allen's Company, 2nd Reg. of Militia. (Henrico Co. Court Orders 6,p 129)

Jan. 5, 1795. Deed from John Faris and Lucy, his wife, to Samuel Coleman, proved. (Henrico County Court Orders, 6, p 171)

Jan. 12, 1795, Deed from Charles Faris and his wife to Richard Faris, Proved by Jesse Row and John Row. (Louisa County Court Orders, 1792-1797, p 150)

April 1795. Judith Faris obtained letters of administration on estate of Joseph Faris, Decd. (Cumberland Co. Court Orders, 15, p 315)

Estate of Joseph Farris appraised May 26, 1796 and valued at L264 14s 6d. (Cumberland Co. Will Book 3, p 55)

July 23, 1795. Hezekiah Faris and Nancy Lane were married. (Fluvanna County Marriage Bonds).

Nov. 5, 1795. John Adams and Mary, his wife, of the State of Kentucky (Fayette County), deeded to William Faris 131¼ acres of land. (Fluvanna Co. Deeds 3, p 169)

Dec. 1795. William Fares was security on bond of Littleberry Lane as Administrator of estate of Stephen Rowe, Decd. (Fluvanna Co. Court Orders, 1791-1796, p 457)

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1795:
Louisa County: Richard Faris, John Faris (Resident of Henrico).
Benjamin Faris, Charles Faris, William Faris (Resident of Fluvanna County), John Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1795:
Goochland County: Samuel Faris.
Fluvanna County: William Faris
Louisa County: Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris.

Feb. 11, 1796. John Faris received $8.12 for 4 days attendance and travelling 75 miles. Richard Faris and Jesse Rowe each received $7.72 for 4 days attendance and travelling 70 miles. Witnesses for Benjamin Brown against Benjamin Binford. (Henrico County Court Orders, 6, p 641) (Note: Evidently these three men travelled from the western part of Louisa County to the Court House in Henrico Co., 70 and 75 miles being about the distance over the old Three Chopt Road).

Feb. 12, 1796. John Fariss, Richard Fariss and Jesse Rowe each received 53¢ for attending Court 1 day as witnesses. (Henrico Co. Court Orders, 6, p 654)

Mar. 1796. Charles Faris and Martha, his wife, of Henrico County deeded to Jesse Rowe for L15, 100 acres of land on Sycamore Ford of Camp Creek bounded by lands of Richard Faris (near Marquis's Road), Hancock, John Bellamy, Hawkins. Witnessed by John Rowe, Richard Faris, William Rowe. (Louisa County Deeds, Book I, p 150).

Apr. 11, 1796,-William Faris and Alse, his wife, -Jarrot Wilkerson and Ann, his wife,-Edward Farr and Mary his wife, all of Fluvanna County, deeded to William Price for L30,99 acres, adjoining the lands of Stephen Hunter, Hezekiah Holland, Thomas Pleasants and David Garths entry. Louisa County Deeds, Bk I, p 166)

Apr. 12, 1796-Land Processions,-Richard Faris and Jesse Rowe this day in open Court made their report which was ordered to recorded. It was ordered that they be allowed for twelve days service each in doing the same according to law. (This had to do with the settlement of land boundaries which were in dispute) (Louisa County Court Orders, 1792-1797, p 329)

Apr. 13, 1796. Deed from Charles Faris to Jesse Rowe proved by John Rowe, Richard Faris, William Rowe. (Louisa County Court Orders, 1792-1797, p 326)

August 1796. Joseph Faris recovered a debt against Francis E. Hewson. (Powhatan County Court Orders, 5, p 268)

May 2, 1796. Callum Farris produced a commission as Ensign in 33rd Reg. of Militia. - qualified. (Henrico County Court Orders, 7, p 1).

Nov. 1796. Judith Faris, Admix., of estate of Joseph Faris Decd., in suit against James Turner. (Goochland County Court Orders, 20, p 390)

Nov. 9, 1796. Robert C. Farris, being summoned to attend Court as a juryman failed to appear,-fined $8.00. (Henrico County Court Orders, 7, p 179)

Nov. 12, 1796,-Littleberry Royster administrator of Mitchell Farris, decd., in case against William Dudley for non performance of assumption recovered damages. (Henrico County Court Orders, 7, p 201)

Nov. 16, 1796. In ejectment suit of Paul Jones and Elizabeth, his wife, against Richard Faris because of dower right on land deeded from John Forsie, Jr., to Joseph Hopkins of Chesterfield County for 400 acres of land which was part of quarter tract on Old Goochland but now Albermarle County line and on Buck Branch, deed dated 3.8.1773,L133 6s 8d paid. Joseph Hopkins being dead his widow had married Samuel Beaver who dies and then she married the plaintiff Paul Jones. Jury found the defendant Faris "quilty" and one penny damage if the law on the demurrer to evidence be for the plaintiff, if not, we find for the defendant. Charles Faris was a witness for Richard Faris. (Louisa County Court of Quarter Sessions, 1792-1797, p 415).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1796: Fluvanna County: William Farish. Louisa County: John Faris, Charles Faris, Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1796:

Goochland County: Samuel Faris. WHP
Fluvanna County: William Faris, Hezekiah Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, John Faris, William Faris.
Henrico County: William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris

Jan. 2, 1797. William Ferris in case against Emmery Hughes and Sivi Bennett recovered damages. (Hernico Co. Court Orders, 7, p 225)

Mar. 1797. Judith Faris vs James Turner, - Jury awarded damages to plaintiff. (Goochland County Court Orders, 21, p 445)

April 18, 1797,-Archer Johnson and Susannah, his wife, of Granville County, South Carolina, deeded to William Farriss of Charlotte County, 102 acres of land. (Amelia County Deeds, Book 20, p 286)

May 31, 1797,-Richard Truman and Elizabeth, his wife, and Ann Truman deeded to Robert C. Faris for L7,14 acres of land bounded lands of Ephriam Garthright among others. Witness: Callom Fariss. (Henrico Co. Deeds, 5, p 362)

June 5, 1797. Miles Garthright submitted on account of his guardianship of Nancy and Mitchell Farris, infants, orphans of Sherwood Farris, Decd. (Henrico Co. Court Orders, 7, p 325)

Aug. 15, 1797. Ejectment suit of Paul Jones and Elizabeth, his wife, late Elizabeth Beaver who was relict widow of Joseph Hopkins, against Richard Faris, -- show John Fossie, Jr., deeded to Joseph Hopkins 400 acres of land for L133 6s 8d on 3/8/1773. Joseph Hopkins died possessed of 1/3 of this tract or 133 1/3 acres. Defendant demurred. (Louisa County Court Orders 1797-1799, p 116. Same Case,-Demur over ruled. (Louisa County Court Orders, 1797-1799, p 173.)

Sept. 4, 1797. A Deed from John Faris and Lucy, his wife, to Samuel Coleman, proved. (Henrico County Court Orders, 7, p 430)

Oct. 1797. William Faris, (son of Joseph) on charge of begetting a bastard child on the body of Fanny Baltimore - refused to give security for the maintenance of said bastard child and ordered to the common jail to remain until security is given. (Cumberland County Court Orders 17, p 19)

Nov. 1797. William Fariss a witness for Hezekiah Fariss in suit of Rowland Jones an infant under 21 years of age by David Jones his father, coming 3 miles from Albemarle County. (Fluvanna County Court Orders, 1797-1800, p 78)

Nov. 6, 1797. Callom Farriss recommended for Lieutenant 2nd Bat. 3rd Reg. Militia. (Henrico Co. Court Orders, 7, p 466)

Nov. 17, 1797. Robert Carter Fariss one of the commissioners appointed by the County Court, sold to William Fussell, 173 acres of land in the forks of Poor Swamp, being the lands of the late John Trueman. (Henrico County Deeds, 5, p 470)

Dec. 19, 1797. Callom Farriss and Obedience Good, daughter of Samuel Goode, were married. (Henrico Co. Marriage Bonds)

December 24, 1797. George Faris and Susannah Sneed were married. Witness-William Lyon. (Albemarle Co. Marriage Records)

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1797:
Fluvanna County: William Farish
Louisa County: John Faris, Charles Faris, Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1797:
Goochland County: Samuel Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, John Faris, Benjamin Faris.
Henrico County: William Faris, Sr., Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris

Jan. 1798. Joseph Farris in suit against William Rawliegh, no further prosecution so dismissed. (Henrico County Court Orders, 8, p 41.

Jan. 1798. William Farriss appointed Surveyor of Roads, etc. (Amelia County Court Orders, 22- p 91).

Feb. 5, 1798, - Joseph Garthright submitted settlement of his guardianship of the estate of Mitchell Farriss, orphan of Sherwood Farriss. (Henrico County Court Orders, 7, p 555).

Feb. 21, 1798, Joseph Faris and Rachel Mendum, daughter of Eliza Hichman, were married. Witnesses: Francis Harris, Thos. H. Steger. (Powhatan County Marriages, p 38).

May, 1798. William Fariss a witness for Hezekiah Fariss in suit of Rowland Jones an infant under 21 years of age by David Jones, his father, coming 18 miles from Albermarle County. (Fluvanna County Court Orders, 1797-1800, p 122).

Will of William Farriss mentions--wife Judity Farriss,- sons, Callom Farriss, Bowler Farriss, Joel Farriss,- daughters, Becka Farriss, Sarah Carter, Prudence Beacham, Susanna Trueman, and children, Jacob Farriss, William Farriss, Juduth Woodfin, Orana Farriss. Will dated June 2, 1798. Probated Apr. 1, 1799. (Henrico County Wills, 2, p 464).

Sept. 7, 1798. John Faris and Mary his wife, of Albermarle County sold to Eppa Fielding for L50, 100 acres of land bounded by the lands of James Flannagan, Eppa Fielding, Charles B. Hunton and Henry Callaham's old line. (John Faris signed by mark). (Louisa County Deeds, Book I, p 469).

Oct. 1798. Jo. Faris a witness for Judith Faris at the suit of James Turner. (Cumberland County Court Orders, 17, p 158).

Oct. 1798. In suit of James Turner against Judith Faris plaintiff failed to appear,- non suit ordered and 5s damages awarded. (Cumberland County Court Orders, 17, p 157).

Nov. 1798. William Farriss a witness for Hezekiah Fariss in suit of Rowland Jones an infant under 21 years of age by David Jones his father, coming 18 miles from Albemarle County. (Fluvanna County Court Orders, 1797-1800). p 184).

Nov. 1, 1798,- Davis Booker deeded to Jacob Faris of Cumberland County, 280 acres of land. (Amelia County Deeds, 20, p 509).

Dec. 3, 1798. William Fisher and Patsey, his wife, deeded to William Fariss for $333.00, 111 acres of land on White Oak Swamp waters being the land the said Fisher had of Littleberry Royster. (Henrico County Deeds, 5, p 546).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1798:
Fluvanna County: William Farish.
Louisa County: John Faris, Charles Faris, Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris. (Note: Deed from the last named John Faris, and Mary, his wife, dated 9/7/1798 shows their residence in Albermarle County).

The na mes of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1798:
Goochland County: Samuel Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, John Faris, William Faris, Hezekiah Faris.

Jan. 18, 1799. John Ferris and Elizabeth Johnson, daughter of James Johnson, were married. (Prince Edward County Marriages).

Mar. 1799. William Fariss a witness for Hezekiah Fariss in suit of Rowland Jones an infant under 21 years of age by David Jones his father, coming 18 miles from Albermarle County. (Fluvanna County Court Orders, 1797-1800, p 212).

Apr. 1, 1799. Will of William Farriss dated June 2, 1798, probated. (Henrico County Wills 2 p 464).

Apr. 8, 1799. Richard Faris and Sarah, his wife, deeded to Paul G. G. Jones and Elizabeth, his wife, for five shillings "all their right and title, interest, claim or pretention of claim" to 1/3 of 400 acres of land being the dower of Elizabeth Jones as widow of Joseph Hopkins, Jr.; Deed. (Both Richard and Sarah signed by mark). (Louisa County Deeds, Book I, p 602).

Apr. 1, 1899. Will of William Faris proved. Bowler Faris one of the executors with William Garthright, Sr.; and Anselum Garthright as his securities. (Henrico County Court Orders, 8, p 441).

June 25, 1799. Marriage notices in "Virginia Hearld and Fredericksburg Advertiser" June 25, 1799 "On June 20th Mr. John Farish to Jane Ward, daughter of the late Capt. James Ward of this place." (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol XXX, p 69).

Aug. 1799. William Fariss a witness for Hezekiah Fariss in suit of Rowland Jones an infant under 21 years of age by David Jones his father; coming 18 miles from Albemarle County. (Fluvanna County Court Orders, 1797-1800, p 274).

Aug. 5, 1799. John Faris a member of a jury to try Elizabeth Alley charged with selling spiritous liquors without license and contrary to law. Verdict: Guilty. (Henrico County Court Orders, 9, p 8).

Aug. 17, 1799. Richard Faris and Jesse Rowe were ordered to "procession all the lands between the court house road, the Marquiss road, and the Fluvanna & Albemarle County lines according to law" (Note: In connection with disputed land boundaries). (Louisa County Court Orders, 7, p 49).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1799:
Fluvanna County: William Farish.
Louisa County: John Faris, Charles Faris, Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: (Note- first year tax list available on land) William Fariss, Mary Faris (Estate), John Faris, William Faris (Estate), Robert C. Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1799:
Louisa County: Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, John Faris, William Faris, Hezekiah Faris.
Henrico County: Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris, Judith Faris, Callom Faris:

1800. Case of Rowland Jones an infant under 21 years of age by David Jones his father against Hezekiah Fariss for trespass, assault and battery -- jury found "for the plaintiff one penny damage". (Fluvanna County Court Orders, 1797-1800, p 349).

Apr. 4, 1800. Lewis Gillaspie and Betsy Farris were married. Witness: George Gillespie. (Amherst County Marriages). See

Apr. 14, 1800. Robert and Charles Yancy deeded to Richard Faris for $800.00, 160 acres of land on the waters of Beaver Dam, a fork of Machunk Creek. (Louisa County Deeds, Book J, p 24).

May 12, 1800. Richard Faris was a member of the Grand Jury. (Louisa County Court Orders 7, p 167).

June 9, 1800. A deed from Robert Yancey and Charles Yancey to Richard Faris was ordered recorded. (Louisa County Court Orders, 7, p 207).

July 7, 1800. Appraisement of the estate of William Farris deed returned and ordered recorded. (Henrico County Court Orders, 9, p 281).

Aug. 4, 1800. Robert Pleasants deeded to Robert Carter Farriss for L15 5s, 18 acres purchased from Joseph Lucas on 9/3/1789. (Henrico County Deeds, 6, p 45).

Aug. 6, 1800. William Farriss was plaintiff in debt case against William Austin. (Henrico County Court Orders 9, p 337).

Aug. 13, 1800. Suit by David Moore against Hezekial Faris for trespass, assault and battery, plea "not guilty", jury trial ordered next term of Court. (Louisa County Court Orders, 7, p 256).

Aug. 13, 1800. Two suits by Agness Ragland for L51 and L38 2s for debts, against Hezekiah Faris and Jesse Rowe were ordered settled for L25 10s and L19 1s with interest from 12/25/1799 until paid. Judgment stayed until March Court 1801. (Louisa County Court Orders, 7, p 244).

Nov. 13, 1800. Suit by David Moore against Hezekiah Faris for trespass, assault and battery -- found "not guilty" by jury. John Faris appeared as a witness for Hezekiah Faris "Travelling and returning twenty six miles". (Louisa County Court Orders, 7, p 319).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1800:
Fluvanna County: William Farish.
Louisa County: John Faris, Charles Faris, Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: William Fariss, Mary Faris (Estate), John Faris, William Faris (Estate), Robert C. Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1800:
Louisa County: (Note- Tax list for the western district not on file)
Henrico County: Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris, Judith Faris, Callom Faris.

Jan. 13, 1801. Duke William Hullum recovered L4 due by account, with interest from 4/1/1800 until paid, against Richard Faris. (Louisa County Court Orders, 7, p 353).

Oct. 5, 1801. A deed from William Fariss to his grandson Elijah Baker proved by Nancy W. Fariss and Samuel Garthright. (Henrico County Court Orders, 10, p 95).

Oct. 5, 1801. A deed from William Fariss to his granddaughter Jamima Garthright proved by Nancy W. Faris and Nancy Freeman. (Henrico County Court Orders 10, p 95).

Nov. 5, 1801. Robert C. Ferriss, Jacob Ferres, Sr., and Jacob Ferriss, Jr., witnesses for John Ferriss in suit of Geo. Harwood. (Henrico County Court Orders, 10, p 154).

Nov. 5, 1801. Jacob Ferris, Carter Ferriss and Jacob Ferriss, Jr. witnesses for John Ferriss in suit of George Harwood. (Henrico County Court Orders, 10, p 211).

Nov. 7, 1801. Robert C. Ferriss a witness for John Ferriss, one days attendance, 53¢. (Henrico County Court Orders, 10, p 171).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1801:
Fluvanna County: William Farish.
Louisa County: John Faris, Charles Faris, Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: William Fariss, Mary Faris (Estate), John Faris, William Faris (Estate), Robert C. Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1801:
Goochland County: John Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, John Faris, William Faris, Hezekiah Faris, Benjamin Faris.
Henrico County: Carter Faris, John Faris, Jacob Faris, William Faris, Judith Faris, Callom Faris

1802. Richard Faris received 50¢ for 8 hours patrolling. (Louisa County Court Orders, 7, p 561).

Mar. 1, 1802. George Harwood in trespass case against John Forriss, plaintiff recovered L10 damages and his costs. (Henrico County Court Orders 10, p 210).

Mar. 1, 1802. George Garwood in trespass suit against John Farriss- "It is considered by the Court that the plaintiff take nothing by his bill, but for his false clamour be in mercy, etc., that the defendant go thereof hence without day and recover against the plaintiff his costs by him about his defense in this behalf expended." (Henrico County Court Orders 10, p 211).

May 7, 1802. Deed from William Fariss to his granddaughter Betty Faris proved. (Henrico County Court Orders 10, p 331).

May 7, 1802. Deed from William Hariss to his grandson Robert Carter Fariss proved. (Henrico County Court Orders, 10, p 331).

May 7, 1802. Deed from William Fariss to his granddaughter Polly Farriss, proved. (Henrico County Court Orders, 10, p 330).

May 7, 1802. Deed from William Fariss to his granddaughter Patsey Farries proved. (Henrico County Court Orders, 10, p 330).

May 29, 1802. William Fariss deeded to his son Robert Carter Fariss several slaves and other personal property. (Henrico County Deeds 6, 343).

May 29, 1802. William Fariss deeded to his granddaughter Polly Fariss one slave. (Henrico County Deeds 6, p 341).

May 29, 1802. William Fariss deeded to his granddaughter Patsey Fariss one slave. (Henrico County Deeds 6 p 342).

May 29, 1802. William Fariss deeded to his granddaughter Betsy Fariss one slave. (Note: This deed shows the name as Betsy Frayser in one place) (Henrico County Deeds 6, p 342).

Will of William Fariss dated May 31, 1802, probated Sept. 5, 1803 mentions: son, Robert Carter Fariss; daughter, Mary Ann Hall; granddaughter, Jamemah Garthright; grandsons, Elijah Baker, William Baker, Nathaniel Hall. (Henrico County Wills 3, p 62).

July 1802. Jacob Faris a witness for David Davenport against David Tyree. (Cumberland County Court Orders 18, p 245).

Sept. 25, 1802. William Fariss and Elizabeth, his wife, of Albemarle County sold to John B. Magruder, 30 acres. (Both signed by mark) (Fluvanna County Deeds 4, p 134).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1802:
Fluvanna County: William Farish.
Louisa County: John Faris, (Note-Deed from John Faris and Mary his wife shows their residence in Albemarle Co.), Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: William Fariss, Mary Faris (Estate), John Faris, William Faris (Estate), Robert C. Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1802:
Goochland County: John Faris.
Fluvanna County: Joseph Fairs.
Louisa County: Richard Faris, Joseph Faris, John Faris, William Faris, Hezekiah Faris, Benjamin Faris.
Henrico County: Carter Faris, John Faris, Robert C. Faris, Judith Faris, Callom Faris.

July 23, 1803. Banister Bryann and Judith, his wife, deeded to Bowler Farriss of Nottoway County, 203 1/2 acres of land. (Amelia County Deeds 21, p 385).

Will of William Fariss dated May 31, 1802, probated Sept. 5, 1803. (Henrico County Wills 3, p 62).

Sept. 5, 1803. Last Will and testament of William Fariss decd., proved. Robert C. Farriss, executor. (Henrico County Court Orders, 11, p 163).

Nov. 1803. Richard Faris in trespass case against Stephen Fore. (Prince Edward County Court Orders 13, p 390).

Dec. 12, 1803. John Askew and Mary Faris were married. Witness Benj. Sims. (Albemarle County Marriage Records).

Dec. 27, 1803. Benjamin Faris and Susannah Morgan, daughter of Thomas Morgan, were married. (Prince Edward County Marriage Records).

The following are the names of persons appearing on the land tax list for the year 1803:
Fluvanna County: William Farish
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: William Faris, Mary Faris (Estate), John Faris, William Faris (Estate), Robert C. Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal tax list for the year 1803:
Louisa County: Richard Faris, John Faris, William Faris, Hezekiah Faris. (List shows that Richard Faris had two sons over 16 years of age living at home with him, and that John Faris had one son over 16 years of age living at home with him)
Henrico County: Carter Faris (Estate), John Faris and son (Jesse), Robert C. Faris, Judith Faris, Callom Faris. (List shows that William (Carter) Faris owned 10 slaves and 2 horses or mules; Robert C. Faris owned 2 slaves and 4 horses or mules; John Faris and son, Jesse Faris, owned 5 slaves a 2 horses or mules; Judith Faris owned 5 slaves and 2 horses or mules; Callam Faris owned 1 slave a 2 horses or mules;)

1804. Thomas Faris was a witness for John Anderson against James Moss and received $1.73 for one days attendance and coming 13 miles from Buckingham County and ferrage across the James River. (Fluvanna County Court Orders, 1804-1807)

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Jan. 14, 1804. By an Act Passed this date a fine of $100.00 imposed on John Farris by the County Court of Pittsylvania County for retailing part of a barrel of sugar without a license, was remitted. (Statutes at Large, Shepherd)

Feb. 20, 1804. Jóel Faris, and Jane, his wife, of Amelia County, deeded to Anselmn Harthright, 33 1/3 acres of land on the south side of Barehill Swamp adjoining the lands of William Garthright; Deed. Witness Callam Fariss, Samuel Garthright. (Henrico County Deeds, 7, p 88).

Mar. 6, 1804. Appraisement of the estate of William Farriss presented. (Henrico County Court Orders 11, p 289).

Apr. 3, 1804. John Faris, Sr., deeded to William Faris, his son, for $200.00, 200 acres of land "beginning at a white oak on back branch the dividing line and thence running up the branch, running with Nathan Anderso line to a corner pine thence to John Rowe's line to the dividing line between John Faris and William Faris to a corner pine and thence to the beginning". (Louisa County Deeds, Book J, p 674).

Apr. 9, 1804. Deed from John Faris to William Faris acknowledged (Louisa County Court Orders, 8, p 123).

May 7, 1804. Ephraim Garthright, Littleberry Royster, Samuel Goode and Anselmn Garthright ordered to "allot, assign and set apart" the dower of Patsey Farriss, widow of William Farriss. (Henrico County Court Orders 11, p 325).

June 4, 1804. Allotment of dower of Patty Farriss in estate of her husband William Farriss made (She is also referred to as Martha Farriss in this settlement) dower being a tract of land on White Oak Swamp, (Henrico County Court Orders 11, p 381).

June 4, 1804. Deed from Joel Fariss and Jane his wife of Amelia County, to Anselmn Garthright proved. (Henrico County Court Orders 11, p 382).

June 4, 1804. Oney Fariss, widow of Robert C. Fariss, decd., relinquished her administration of the estate of the deceased in favor of John Fariss and James Binford. (Henrico County Court Orders 11, p 387).

June 4, 1804. Commission ordered to set apart the dower of Oney Fariss widow of Robert C. Fariss decd. (Henrico County Court Orders 11, p 388).

June 19, 1804. Appraisement of estate of Robert C. Fariss made 6-19-1804 and shows among other items, 9 slaves. (Henrico County Wills 3, p 187).

July 21, 1804. Richard Faris in trespass case against Stephen Fore,- $10.00 damages awarded plaintiff. (Prince Edward County Court Orders 14, p 185).

Sept. 8, 1804. At sale of the estate of Robert C. Fariss decd. held 9/8/1804 the following persons were among the purchasers: Mrs. Oney Fariss, John Fariss, Callom Farriss. (Henrico County Wills 3, p 192).

Nov. 7, 1804. Callom Farriss a witness for William Richardson Faris. (Henrico County Court Orders 11, p 508).

Nov. 10, 1804. Callom Farriss a witness for William Richardson Faris. (Henrico County Court Orders 11, p 551).

Dec. 6, 1804. James Faris and Mildred Boyd were married. (Louisa County Marriage Records).

Dec. 5, 1804. William Faris obtained a patent for 108 acres of land in Berkley County (Then Virginia- now West Virginia) part of said tra being previously granted to William Faris 9/1/1773 and another part granted to him by patent 3-22-1790 and the balance (45 acres) taken by virtue of a land office Treasury Warrant No. 165 12/10/1793, all on the drains of Back Creek. (Northern Neck Lant Patent Records, Book Z, p 496).

Dec. 5, 1804. Nancy Faris was married to John Morris. Witness, Devereux Jarratt. (Goochland County Marriage Record, p 89 and p 348).

Dec. 3, 1804. Charles Faris and Mildred Boyd, daughter of John Boyd, were married. (Louisa County Marriages, p 113).

Dec. 6, 1804. James Faris and Mildred Boyd were married. (Louisa County Marriages, p 380).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1804:
Fluvanna County: William Farish.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: Mary Faris (Estate), John Faris, William Faris, (Estate) Robert C. Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1804:
Goochland County: John Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris and two sons, William Faris, Hezekiah Faris.
Henrico County: William Faris (Estate), John Faris and son, Robert C. Faris (Estate), Judith Faris, Callom Faris, Martha Faris.

Jan. 3, 1805. Callom Farriss and Obedience, his wife, and Judith Farriss, his mother, deeded to Ephraim Garthright for L211, 211 acres of land in the lower end of Henrico County adjoining the lands of William Fariss, decd., and on White Oak Swamp. (Judith signed by mark) Witnesses: Tarpley Garthright, Bowler Fariss. (Henrico County Deeds, 7, p 181).

Jan. 9, 1805. John Johnson, Thomas W. Johnson, Susannah Johnson, Frances Burnett formerly Frances Johnson, Lucy Johnson and Sarah Johnson deeded to Callom Farris of Henrico County, 50 acres of land. (Amelia Coun Deeds, 22, p 56).

Feb. 4, 1805. Deed from Callom Farriss and Obedience, his wife and Judith Farriss his mother to Ephraim Garthright acknowledged. (Henrico County Court Orders 11, p 590).

Feb. 9, 1805. Jackson Fariss and Rebecca Fariss were married. (Witness: Walton Keeble. (Cumberland County Marriages).

Mar. 5, 1805. William Richardson Farriss in suit against Daniel L. Hylton to recover wages as an overseer of Hylton's plantation on Chicahominy Swamp (Faris signed agreement by mark). Plaintiff recovered damages plus costs. (Henrico County Court Orders 11, p 617).

Mar. 28, 1805. Joel Farris and Jane his wife, deeded to John Purnall of Prince Edward County, 8 slaves, etc., in trust for benefit of Jane Farriss. (Amelia County Deeds, 22, p 90).

Apr. 9, 1805. Samuel Owen deeded to Jacob Fariss, 2 acres of land. (Cumberland County Deeds 10, p 4).

Apr. 9, 1805. Samuel Owen deeded to Jacob Fariss, 35 acres of land. (Cumberland County Deeds 10, p 5).

May, 8, 1805. John Farriss a witness for John Harlow in suit by Kate Harlow. (Henrico County Court Orders 12, p 28).

June 3, 1805. Appreaisment of estate of Robert C. Fariss decd. returned. (Henrico County Court Orders 12, p 54).

Sept. 2, 1805. Account of sale of estate of Robert C. Fariss decd., made. (Henrico County Court Orders 12, p 165).

Sept. 26, 1805. William Kerby and Elizabeth, his wife, deeded to Hezekiah Faris for L39, 50 acres of land. Witnessed by Stanhope Johnson, Richard Faris , Nathan Anderson, Benjamin Sims. (Louisa County Deeds, Book K, p 173).

Oct. 12, 1805. Richard Kirby and Ann, his wife, deeded to William Faris 400 acres on a branch of Cunningham Creek and a branch of Buckisland Creek. (Albemarle County Deeds 15, 231).

Nov. 1805. Tom and John, free blacks, formerly belonging to estate of Charles Logan, were bound out to Joseph Farris to "learn the art and mystery of Blacksmiths." (Powhatan County Court Orders 7, p 374).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1805:
Fluvanna County: William Farish.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: Mary Faris, (Estate), John Faris, William Faris (Estate) Robert C. Faris (Estate)

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1805:
Fluvanna County: John Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris and two sons; John Faris and son, William Faris, Hezekiah Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris, Robert C. Faris, Judith Faris, Martha Faris.

1806. Peter Jefferson and Elizabeth, his wife, deeded to Jacob Fariss, 199 acres of land. Witnesses: James Fariss, N. L. Fariss and William Jenkins. (Cumberland County Deeds 10, p 73).

Feb. 3, 1806. Charles Farriss charged with horse-stealing,- tried by jury and found not guilty. (Henrico County Court Orders 12,p293).

Feb. 1806. Joseph Fariss recovered damages against William Mayo for non performance of promise. James Fariss was a witness for Joseph Fariss. (Powhatan County Court Orders 7 p 456).

Feb. 3, 1806. An inventory of the legacies befallen the representatives of Robert C. Fariss, decd., by the deed of his father took place Feb. 3, 1806. (Henrico County Wills 3, p 245).

Feb. 4, 1806. Sale of the estate befallen representatives of Robert Fariss, decd., by deed of his father William Fariss, decd., was held Feb. 4, 1806.

Feb. 18, 1806. Benjamin Faris and Frankey Harlow were married. (Benjamin signed by mark). Fluvanna County Marriages).

Apr. 1806. John Powder, a free negro, bound to Joseph Fariss to "learn the art and mystery of a blacksmith." (Powhatan County Court Orders 7, p 543).

Aug. 14, 1806. Richard Faris recovered L13 4s 0d in damages from Hugh Nelson. (Louisa County Court Orders 9, p 155). Charles Faris, Thomas Faris and Reuben Rowe were witnesses for Richard Faris.

Sept. 8, 1806. Richard Faris recommended to Governor for 2nd Lieut. in Calvary Co., 140th Reg of Virginia Militia, vice Peter Minor, promoted. (Louisa County Court Orders 9, p 177).

Dec. 20, 1806. By an act passed 12/20/1806 William Farris received the sum of $16.41 as compensation for apprehending, keeping and delivering a lunatic to the sheriff of Campbell County. (Statutes at Large, Shepherd).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1806:
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Frais, John Faris, Hezakiah Faris.
Fluvanna County: William Farish.
Henrico County: Mary Faris (Estate), John Faris, William Faris (Estate), Robert C. Faris (Estate).

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1806:
Fluvanna County: John Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris, and two sons, John Faris, Sr., and son, William Faris, Hezekiah Faris, Charles Faris, John Faris from Richmond, John Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris, Judith Faris, Jacob Faris.

Will of John Faris, dated Jan. 21, 1807 and probated Feb. 10, 1807, mentions: Wife, Lucy Faris,- daughters, Nancy Faris, Sarah (Sally) Faris,- sons Benjamin to whom he gave 170 acres of land, and William Faris. William Faris named as executor. Witnesses: Thomas Greene, Sally Faris, John Rowe and John Faris. (Louisa County Wills 5, p 267).

Feb. 9, 1807. Will of John Faris exhibited in Court by William Faris executor. Proved by Thos. Greene, John Rowe, and John Faris, Jr., (Louisa County Court Orders 9, p 248).

Feb. 10, 1807. Joel Farriss and Jane, his wife, appointed John Purnall of Prince Edward County their attorney. (Amelia County Deeds 22, p 307).

Dec. 7, 1807. Anselm Hathright, Littleberry Royster, Samuel Gathright and John Farris appointed to appraise the personal estate of William Farris, decd. (Henrico County Court Orders, 13, p 345).

Nov. 7, 1807.- Suit of William Richardson Faris against Danial L. Hylton referred to the determination of a commission. (Henrico County Court Orders 13, p 338).

Nov. 12, 1807. Hezekiah Faris and Nancy, his wife, deeded to Dabney White of Fluvanna County for L45, 50 acres of land. (Louisa County Deeds Book L, p 103).

Nov. 12, 1807. Richard Faris and Jesse Howe ordered to procession lands between Court House Road, the Marquiss Road and Fluvanna and Albemarle County Lines. (Louisa County Court Orders 9, p 505). (Settlement of disputed land boundaries)

Dec. 17, 1807. Inventory and appraisement of estate of William Faris, Sr., decd., taken 12/17/1807. (Henrico County Wills 3, p 370).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1807.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris (received 170 acres from father's (John Faris, will); Richard Faris, John Faris, Hezekiah Faris. Henrico County: Mary Faris, (Estate), John Faris, William Faris (Estate), Robert C. Faris, (Estate).

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1807:
Fluvanna County: John Faris,
Louisa County: Richard Faris and two sons, Joseph Faris, John Faris (Estate and son, William Faris and son, Hezekiah Faris, Charles Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris, Judith Faris, Jacob Faris;

1808. Elizabeth Fariss, Admix. of William Fariss, decd.- Thomas I. Fariss orphan of William Fariss - guardian account for 1804, 1805, 1806, 1807, and 1808 submitted. Also guardian accounts for same years for Armstead Fariss and Asa Fariss orphans of William Fariss, decd. (Amelia County Will 8, p 81).

Jan. 4, 1808. Benjamin Mosby, William Frayser, Byrd George, and George Savage appointed to allot unto John Goode, Jr., Thomas Goode, Gallon Faris and Samuel Goode their several portions of the estate loaned to Mary Cartwright, decd., by John Cartwright the older, decd. (Henrico County Court Orders 13, p 357).

Apr. 4, 1808. Appraisement of estate of William Farris returned. (Henrico County Court Orders 13, p 451).

June 13, 1808. A deed from Hezekiah Faris and wife to Dabney White was this date in open court acknowledged by the said Hezekiah Faris to be his act and deed and by the Court is ordered recorded. (Louisa County Court Orders 1, p 92.

June 13, 1808. It was ordered that Dabney White pay James Flannagan two dollars and thirteen cents for one days attendance and once travelling and returning twenty miles as a witness to prove deed from Faris to him. (Louisa County Court Orders 1, p 93).

June 17, 1808. It was ordered that Pabney White pay Walter Timberlake two dollars thirteen cents for one days attendance and once travelling and returning twenty miles as a witness to prove deed from Paris to him. (Louisa County Court Orders 1, p 101).

Sept. 2, 1808. Reuben Flannagan of Fluvanna County on the part of John B. Magruder and Walter Timberlake of the same county, for a debt due Hezekiah Paris and Nancy, his wife, gave a deed of trust on 300 acres of land. (Louisa County Deeds, Book L, p 125).

Sept. 2, 1808. Hezekiah Paris and his wife, Nancy, deeded to Reuben Flannagan of Fluvanna County, for $1,000.00, 300 acres of land bounded by the lands of Jesse Rowe, James Rowe, Jr., Alexander Booker, John McDonald and a tract formerly the property of David Ross. (Louisa County Deeds, Book L, p 128).

Sept. 12, 1808. Hezekiah Paris and wife acknowledged deed to Reuben Flannagan. (Louisa County Court Orders 1, p 139).

Oct. 10, 1808. Hezekiah Paris and his wife, Nancy, acknowledged deed to Reuben Flannagan. (Louisa County Court Orders 1, p 149).

Oct. 3, 1808. Nathl. Selden appointed referee in arbitration in case of William R. Paris against Daniel L. Hylton. (Henrico County Court Orders, 14, p 142).

Oct. 5, 1808. Dower of Cincy Garriss, widow of Robert G. Garriss, decd., in lands and personal estate made included "The tract of land adjoining which he bought of Fuses, etc. Also the field on the tract of land where his father died---running to the swamp and then up the bottom". Also four slaves. (Henrico County Court Orders 14, p 275).

For the year 1808 there were no land or personal property taxes in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Jan. 2, 1809. In case of John Paris and James Binford, Admrs., of estate of Carter Paris decd., against John Hobson and William Garthright, plaintiffs recovered L34 6s 4d and their costs. (Henrico County Court Orders 14, p 246)

Mar. 6, 1809. Patsey Garriss and George Baker were married. (Henrico County Marriage Records).

Apr. 26, 1809. Charles Paris son of William Paris, and Rachel Garriss, daughter of Benjamin Garriss, were married. (Fluvanna County Marriage Records).

In case of William Richardson Paris against Daniel L. Hylton - Arbitrators reported plaintiff due from defendant 100.00 with interest from 1/1/1803, and the costs of the suit. May 6, 1809. (Henrico County Court Orders 14, p 284).

June 22, 1809. Commissioners appointed to sell land belonging to estate of William Farris, decd., sold same to Daniel Mann, 101 acres. (Amelia County Deeds 23, p 167).

July 10, 1809. Polly Fariss and Claiborne Garthright were married. Polly was the daughter of Oney Fariss. (Henrico County Marriages)

Aug. 4, 1809. Elizabeth Farris deeded to George Baker for $80.00, 65 acres of land "bounded by the lands of Anderson Garthright, the lot drawn for Sally Farris, Farpley Garthright, decd., and the lot drawn for William Farris." Witnesses include Anderson Garthright, William Baker and Joseph Goodman, the last named signing by mark). (Henrico County Deeds 8, p 460).

Aug. 7, 1809. Deed fro Elizabeth Fariss to George Baker proved. (Henrico County Court orders 14, p 422).

Sept. 4, 1809. John Farris and James Binford Admrs. of estate of Robert C. Faris decd made report and commission ordered to settle their account. (Henrico County Court Orders, 14, p 477).

Oct. 6, 1809. James Daniel of Cumberland County deeded to Samuel Faris of same county, 125 acres of land. (Fluvanna County Deeds 5, p 336).

Oct. 16, 1809. Will of Betty Farish, dated 11/4/1785, probated. (Goochland County Wills 20, p 415).

Oct. 26, 1809. William Faris and Elizabeth, his wife, deeded to Ludlow Branham of Louisa County, 400 acres of land on waters of Buckisland and Cunningham Creeks. (Elizabeth signed by mark) Witness: Richard Faris. (Albemarle County Deeds 17, p 42).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1809:
Fluvanna County: William Farish.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: Mary Faris (Estate), John Faris, William Faris, (Estate) Robert C. Faris, (Estate).

1809

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1809:
Goochland County: John Faris (The list dated 8/1/1809 shows there was one free white male at his house.)
Fluvanna County: John Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris and two sons, Joseph Faris, John Faris (Estate) and son, William Faris and son, Charles Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris, Jacob Faris, Oney Faris,

Apr. 7, 1810. Hugh Branch and Prscilla, his wife, deeded to Joseph Farriss, 75 acres. (Powhatan County Deeds 4, p 170).

May 2, 1810. William Ferriss, orphan of Robert C. Ferriss, decd., chose Oney Ferriss for his guardian. Samuel Carthright security. (Henrico County Court Orders 15, p 134).

May 2, 1810. Oney Ferriss appointed by the Court as guardian to Ann Ferriss, Sally Ferriss and Polling Ferriss, orphans of Robert C. Ferriss, decd. (Henrico County Court Orders 15, p 134).

Sept. 4, 1810. Administrator's account of the estate of Robert C. Ferriss covers years 1806 to 1809, - submitted 9/4/1810). (Ferrico County Wills 4, p 81).

Sept. 14, 1810. Will of Ann Flournoy mentions children David Flournoy, John James Flournoy, Marcia Martin, and Lucy Faris. Will dated 9/14/1810. Probated 9/19/1814. (Prince Edward County Wills 4, p 502).

Dec. 3, 1810. Account of John Farris and James Binford on the estate of Robert C. Farris decd, returned. (Henrico County Court Orders 15 p 366).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1810:
Fluvanna County: William Parish.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris, Mary Faris, (Estate), William Faris (Estate) Robert C. Faris, (Estate).

1810

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1810:
Goochland County: John Faris.
Fluvanna County: Joseph Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris and one son, John Faris (Estate) and son, Charles Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris, Oney Faris.

Jan. 8, 1811. Elizabeth Ferriss and Samuel Carthright were married. (Henrico County Marriages).

Apr. 6, 1811. Callen Ferriss and Diddy, his wife, gave a deed of trust to John Scott Booker, trustee for John Goodfin of Charlotte County for debt of $1,000.00, 150 acres of land in Henrico County (White Oak Swamp) and 50 acres of land in Amelia County. (Amelia County Deeds 24, p. 263).

Apr. 26, 1811. Callen Ferriss and Diddy, his wife, of Amelia County deeded to John Goodfin of Charlotte County, in trust, 150 acres of land on White Oak Swamp, Ferrico County, and 50 acres of land on Appomattox River in Amelia County. (Henrico County Deeds 13, p 436).

Sept. 4, 1811. Richard Faris and Sarah, his wife, deeded to Frances Wheeler for 372.00 a certain tract of land "on both sides of the Sycamore fork of Camp Creek", 124 acres - bounded by the lands of Thomas Harlan and Rowe and Morris & Wheeler's. (Louisa County Deeds, Book L,

Sept. 9, 1811. Richard Faris and Sarah, his wife, deeded to Charles Faris for 250.00, 50 acres of land "on the waters of Camp Creek and bounded as follows: To wit: Beginning at Wm. Wheeler's corner of pointers on Rocs, thence along her line to Harlow's corner, thence along his lines to Zacheus Bailey's corner, thence along his lines to Jesse Ree's corner, thence along his lines ro beginning." (Louisa County Deeds, Book L, p 560).

Sept. 12, 1811. Samuel Faris of Cumberland County, deeded to William Mayo of the same county, 125 acres of land being the same tract purchased from Daniel. (signed by mark) (Fluvanna County Deeds 5, 582).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1811:
Fluvanna County: William Parish.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris.
Henrico County: Mary Faris, (Estate), John Faris, Robert C. Faris (Estate)

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1811:
Fluvanna County: Joseph Faris.
Louisa County: Richard Faris, William Faris, Benjamin Faris, Charles Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris, Ancy Faris.

Oct. 19, 1812. Benjamin Faris and Frances, his wife, deeded to John Watkins for 491.08, 139 1/7 acres of land "on the waters of Beaver Dam Creek" one corner being near William Faris' house. (Both Benjamin and Frances signed by mark). (Louisa County Deeds, Book H, p 302).

Nov. 1811. Hezekiah Faris recovered in two debt cases against Reuben Flannagan. (Fluvanna County Court 1811-1815, p 28).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1812:
Fluvanna County: William Parish.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris, (Estate), Charles Faris. X 1812
Henrico County: Mary Faris (Estate), John Faris, William Faris, (Estate), Robert C. Faris, (Estate).

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1812:
Fluvanna County: Joseph Faris.
Louisa County: William Faris, Benjamin Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris, Ancy Faris and son (William).

Mar. 17, 1813. Allen Harris of Cumberland County deeded to Joseph Fariss, 114 acres of land. (Powhatan County Deeds 4, p 493).

Will of John Forriss, dated Apr. 9, 1813, probated May 3, 1813, mentions: wife, Elizabeth Farriss (Betsy),- granddaughter Eliza Ann Farriss daughter of son Joseph Farriss,- sons, John Farriss, Alfred Farriss and Jesse Farriss,- daughters, Judith Farriss, Pamelea Farriss, and Elizabeth Farriss. (Henrico County Wills 4, p 295).

May 3, 1813. Last will and Testament of John Forriss, Dec., proved. (Henrico County Court Orders 17, p 303).

Aug. 23, 1813. William S. Lane and Nancy, his wife, deeded to Benjamin Faris of Louisa County, 62 acres of land on the waters of Big Machunk Creek the boundaries beginning in the lines of Andrew Rowe. (Fluvanna County Deeds, 6, p 155).

Sept. 6, 1813. Estate of Jacob Farriss committed to the hands of the Sheriff. (Henrico County Court Orders 17, p 374).

Nov. 1813. Hezekiah Faris for the benefit of David Higginbotham against Reuben Flannagan recovered in a debt case. (Fluvanna County Court Orders 1811-1815, p 382.)

Nov. 4, 1813. Commitment of estate of Jacob Farriss to hands of Sheriff recended. (Henrico County Court Orders, 17, p 433).

Nov. 15, 1813. Benjamin Faris and Martha Bunch were married. (Louisa County Marriage Record, p 154 and 389).

Dec. 6, 1813. John Forriss and Alfred Forriss infants under 21 years by Jesse Forriss their next friend, and Jesse in his own right in suit against William Carter, Admr of estate of John Forriss Decd and Liza Ann Forriss an infant legatee of the said John Forriss, William Carter assigned guardian of Eliza Ann Forriss-Commission appointed to sell three slaves mentioned in the bill. (Henrico County Court Orders 17, p 433).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1813:
Fluvanna County: William Farish
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris, (Estate), Charles Faris.
Henrico County: Mary Faris, (Estate), John Faris, William Faris (Estate) Robert C. Faris (Estate).

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1813:
Goochland County: William Faris, Miles Faris.
Fluvanna County: Joseph Faris, Benjamin Faris.
Louisa County: John Faris, Charles Faris, Thomas Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris, Oney Faris.

1813

The land tax list of 1813 showed locations as follows:
Fluvanna County: William Faris--101 1/2 acres. No information
Louisa County: John Faris Estate, 494 acres on Cub Creek touching lands of Joel Ealton and L. Britton.
Benjamin Faris, 320 acres on Bunches Creek.
Charles Faris, 50 acres on Sycamore Fork touching Mark Wheater's estate.
Richard Faris, 40 acres, no location given.
William Faris, 200 acres on Beaver Dam Creek, touching Nathan Anderson and Jno. Rowe.
Henrico County: John Faris, 118 acres adjoining White's Mill tract.
William Fariss Estate, 383 1/2 acres on north side of White Oak Swamp.
Robert C. Fariss Estate, 210 acres on north side of White Oak Swamp.
Mary Fariss Estate, 75 acres on White Oak Swamp.

Jan. 10, 1814. Benjamin Faris and Frances his wife, acknowledged deed to John Watkins. (Louisa County Court Orders, 1813-1815, p 16).

Mar. 12, 1814. John Ferris and Alfred Ferris infants under the age of 21 years by Jesse Ferris their next friend and Jesse Ferriss in his own right against Wm. Carter Admr. of John Ferriss, Decd., and Eliza Ann Ferriss infant legatte of the said John Ferriss (Wm. Carter her guardian)---Commission appointed to sell at public auction to highest bidder on a la month basis. (Henrico County Court Orders 18,p 97).

May 2, 1814. Pamela Ferriss and Winston Harwood were married. (Henrico County Marriages).

May 9, 1814. Zachous Bailey qualified as administrator of Jno. Faris. (Louisa County Court Orders 1813-1815, p 42).

July 13, 1814. Sally Faris and Benjamin Cash were married. (Louisa County Marriage Records, p 155).

Aug. 11, 1814. Joseph Childress and Jane, his wife, deeded to Callom Ferriss for $150.00 land purchased by said Childress from Bevil Sharp and Sally, his wife, in lower Henrico County adjoining William Garthright on the east containing 25 acres "being that part of land which the said Sharp purchased of William Parker as his part of the dividend of his mother's out of the estate of Wm. Garthright, Sr., Decd." (Henrico County Deeds 11, p 156).

Aug. 19, 1814. John W. Farriss deeded to Winston Harwood for $250.00 one undivided sixth part being the tract whereon John Ferriss lived and of which he died possessed. (Henrico County Deeds, 11, p 111).

Dec. 5, 1814. Will of Thomas Morgan, dated 12/5/1814 and probated 12/19/1814, mentions Benjamin Faris (Evidently his son-in-law); grandsons George B. Faris, and Joseph H. Faris. (Prince Edward County Wills, 4, p 538).

Nov. 8, 1814. Deed from Callam Fariss and Obedience, his wife, to Robert Bethell ordered recorded. (Henrico County Court Orders 18, p 305).

Nov. 8, 1814. Deed from Joseph Childress and Jane, his wife, to Callam Ferriss ordered recorded. (Henrico County Court Orders 18, p 305).

Nov. 9, 1814. George Savage, William Savage, Christian Allen and Littleberry Allen appointed to settle accounts of William Carter, Admr., of the estate of John Farriss Decd. (Henrico County Court Orders 18, p 326).

Dec. 19, 1814. Will of Thomas Morgan dated 12/5/1814 probated. (Prince Edward County Wills 4, - 538).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1814:
Fluvanna County: William Farish.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris, (Estate), Charles Faris, William Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris, (Estate), Robert C. Faris, (Estate), Callam Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1814:
Goochland County: John Faris, William Faris, Miles Faris.
Fluvanna County: Joseph Faris, Benjamin Faris, Charles Faris.
Louisa County: John Faris, Charles Faris, Thomas Faris, ← 1814
Henrico County: John Faris, Judith Faris, Callom Faris, Oney Faris.

A list on some of the tax list for 1814 shows the residence of the tax payers, as follows:
Fluvanna County: William Faris, 101 1/2 acres unknown.
Benjamin Faris, Fluvanna County, 12 miles north of Courthouse. (62 acres)
Louisa County: John Faris, none shown
Benjamin Faris, none shown
Charles Faris, " "
Richard Faris, " "
William Faris, " "
Henrico County: John Fariss Estate, none shown
Robert C. Fariss Estate, none shown
Callam Fariss, Henrico County
Oney Fariss, Henrico County, 141 acres near Bear Swamp.

Jan. 2, 1815. Winston Harwood appointed guardian to Alfred Faris, orphan of John Faris, Decd. (Henrico County Court Orders, 18, p 350).

Feb. 2, 1815. Oney Fariss against Betsy Garthright, Claihorne Garthright and Polly his wife, George Baker and Patsy his wife and Bowler Fariss, Nancy Fariss and Sally Fariss infants under the age of 21 years by William Carter their next friend,-Court adjudged, ordered and decreed that Anselm Garthright, George Savage, William Savage and Dandridge Carter or any three of them do proceed to sell the slaves in the bill mentioned, upon a credit of twelve months, and to divide the money

arising from the sales among the plaintiffs and the defendants and make report thereof to the Court in order to a final decree. (Henrico County Court Orders 18, p 353).

Mar. 8, 1815. Judith Ferriss and Robert C. Wright were married. (Henrico County Marriages Records).

Mar. 16, 1815. Callam Fariss and Obedience his wife of Henrico County, deeded to William H. Hall, 50 acres of land. (Amelia County Deeds 24, p 68).

Apr. 3, 1815. Ordered that Christian Allen, George Savage, William Savage and Anselm Garthright, or any three of them do divide the land of John Fariss, Deceased, according to his last will and make report of the division to the Court. (Henrico County Court Orders 18, p 454).

Apr. 21, 1815. Joshua Brizendine and Elizabeth his wife, formerly Elizabeth Fariss (widow of William Fariss) and Elizabeth's children, Thomas J. Fariss, Armstead Fariss and Asa Fariss, deeded to William D. Hall and Thomas J. Fariss, certain slaves, etc. (Amelia County Deeds 24, p 456).

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The will of John Jenkins of Chesterfield County dated June 6, 1815 and probated Aug. 1818, left the whole of his estate to his friends Jacob Fariss, Richard Phillips and Dock Neuton Ford (or Doctor Francis N. Ford) all of Cumberland County, in trust for the benefit of his mother, Lucy Jenkins; sisters Elizabeth and Lucy Jenkins; brothers (no names). (Cumberland County Wills 6 p 103).

June 13, 1815: Marshall B. Farriss and Rhoda Morris, daughter of John Morris, were married. (Amelia County Marriages).

July 1, 1815. Allan H. Harris deeded to Joseph Fariss, 212 1/2 acres of land on Buckingham Road. (Powhatan County Deeds 5,p 298).

Aug. 31, 1814. Elizabeth Ferriss and Wm. H. Dudley were married. (Henrico County Marriages).

Sept. 4, 1815. Deed from Hudith Ferriss to Winslow Harwood, proved. (Henrico County Court Orders 19, p 157).

Sept. 4, 1815. Deed from Jeney Ferris of the state of Kentucky to William H. Dudley, proved. (Henrico County Court Orders 19, p 157).

Will of Callam Farriss dated Dec. 13, 1815 and probated Jan. 5, 1816, mentions his friend Joseph Goodman's children, Emmalin and Samuel. (Henrico County Wills 5, p 37).

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The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1815:
Fluvanna County: William Farish, Benjamin Faris.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Richard Faris, John Faris, Hezekiah Faris, William Faris.
Henrico County: John Faris (Estate), Robert C. Faris, (Estate), Callam Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1815:
Goochland County: John Faris.
Fluvanna County: Joseph Faris, Benjamin Faris, Charles Faris, William Faris.
Louisa County: William Faris and son, Charles Faris, Thomas Faris, William Faris, Jr.
Henrico County: Callam Faris, Oney Faris.

Jan. 5, 1816. Will of Callam Faris dated Dec. 15, 1815, probated. (Henrico County Wills 5, p 37).

Jan. 1. 1916. Will of Callam Faris decd. proved. (Henrico County Court Orders 19, p 241).

Feb. 5, 1816. Will of Callam Faris decd., proved. (Henrico County Court Orders 19, p 260).

June 10, 1816. Nancy Fariss and Wm. H. Dudley were married. (Henrico County Marriages).

Nov. 8, 1816. Charles Faris and Mildred, his wife, deeded to George Wheeler for $250.00, 50 acres of land on both sides of Sycamore Fork of Camp Creek". (Louisa County Deeds, Book N, p 117).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1816:
Fluvanna County: William Farish, Benjamin Faris.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, Charles Faris, William Faris.
Henrico County: Robert C. Faris (Estate) Callam Faris, Alfred Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1816:
Fluvanna County: Benjamin Faris, Joseph Faris, William Faris, William F. Faris.
Louisa County: John Faris, Charles Faris, Thomas Faris, William Faris, Jr. William Faris.
Henrico County: Oney Faris.

In Fluvanna the lands of William Faris became vested in the President and Directors of the Litterary Fund as no person would give the taxes. (Note on tax list for 1816).

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Jan. 16, 1817. Susan Faris daughter of John Faris, and Joshua Beazley were married. (Prince Edward County Marriages).

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Feb. 15, 1817. John Farriss and Nancy Barker were married. (Henrico County Marriages).

Mar. 1817. Joseph Faris exempted from the payment of county levies and from rates on himself in future. (Fluvanna County Court Orders 1815-1819, p 247).

July 24, 1817. Bowler Fariss deeded to Arthur Graves 239 1/2 acres of land. (Amelia County Deeds 25, p 99).

Nov. 8, 1817. Whittle Flanagan, Sr., and Judith, his wife, and Whittle Flanagan, Jr., deeded to Benjamin Faris for $510.00, 255 acres of land "on the waters of Branches Creek above and adjoining the lands of William Morris". (Louisa County Deeds, Book O, p 183).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1817:
Fluvanna County: Benjamin Faris.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, William Faris.
Henrico County: Alfred Faris, Oney Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1817:
Fluvanna County: Benjamin Faris, William F. Faris.
Louisa County: William Faris,
Henrico County: Oney Faris.

May 11, 1818. Samuel Faris and Nancy Griffin were married. Witness James M. Daniel. (Cumberland County Marriages).

June 13, 1818. Release deed signed by Eliza Harris, wife of Allen H. Harris of Buckingham County. (Land sold to Joseph Fariss July 1, 1815.) (Powhatan County Deeds 6, p 589).

Aug. 17, 1818. John Faris and Jane Johnson, daughter of Thomas Johnson, were married. (Louisa County Marriages, p 175).

The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1818:
Fluvanna County: Benjamin Faris.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, William Faris.
Henrico County: Alfred Faris, Oney Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1818:
Goochland County: Jordan Faris.
Fluvanna County: Benjamin Faris, William F. Faris, Anthony F. Faris,
Louisa County: William Faris.

Feb. 15, 1819. Susan R. Faris and Nicholas Oliver were married. (Louisa County Marriages, p 178).

Sept. 1819. William M. Faris, late of this county dead for more than three years and no one having applied for and obtained administration of his estate -- turned over to the Sheriff. (Fluvanna County Court Orders 1815-1819, p 632).

Dec. 28, 1819. Inventory of estate of William M. Faris decd. taken 12/28/1819. (Fluvanna County Wills 2, p 309).

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The names of the following persons appear on the land tax list for the year 1819:
Fluvanna County: Benjamin Faris.
Louisa County: Benjamin Faris, William Faris.
Henrico County: Alfred Faris, Oney Faris.

The names of the following persons appear on the personal property tax list for the year 1819:
Goochland County: Jordan Faris.
Fluvanna County: Benjamin Faris, Anthony F. Faris.
Louisa County: William Faris, John Faris.

June 27, 1820. Marshall Fariss and Rhoda his wife, Isham Ball and Jane E. his wife, John Morris and Elizabeth his wife, by A. Scay attorney in fact for John Morris,- heirs of Elizabeth Booker Morris, daughter of Richardson Booker of Amelia County, who had a 1/5 claim to an undivided tract of 1000 acres of land in the State of Kentucky south of Green River appropriated for the officers and soldiers and patented in the name of Robert Craddock, Richardson Booker and others 6/10/1788. Richardson Booker by his will of 10/26/1806 left 200 acres to 10 devisees,- John Morris and Elizabeth his wife being entitled to one part, Both now dead leaving their part to 3 children, Jane, Rhody and John Morriss, said land now deeded by them to Parchal D. Craddock together with all their right, title and interest to the aforesaid 1/5 part of 1000 acres. (Amelia County Deeds, 25, p 455).

Aug. 1820. John Johnson appointed guardian to John Faris and Mary William Faris infants orphans of William M. Faris, Decd. (Fluvanna County Court Orders 1820-1825, p).

Nov. 21, 1820. Archbald Faris and Mason Childress were married. (Witness: Peter Fore, Jr.) (Prince Edward County Marriages).

Jan. 30, 1821. William Mayo and Catherine his wife of Cumberland County, deeded to Benjamin Weaver, 12 acres of land. (Note: This deed bears an endorsement as follows: "Mr. William Mayo-Sir: Please to make a deed to Mr. Benjamin Weaver for twelve a cres of land it being a part of the hundred acres you sold to me" signed Samuel (his X mark) Faris. (Fluvanna County Deeds 7, p 669).

Jan. 30, 1821. William Mayo and Catherine his wife of Cumberland County deeded to Samuel Faris, 88 acres of land. (Fluvanna County Deeds 7, p 668).

Feb. 12, 1821. Sarah C. Fariss and Wm. Carter were married. (Henrico County Marriages)

May 28, 1821. William Farris and Eliza M. Daniel were married. Witness: Leonard Daniel. (Cumberland County Marriages).

Nov. 24, 1821. Benja. Faris and Frances his wife deeded to Basil M. Jones 7 acres of land. (Benjamin signed by mark) (Fluvanna County Deeds 8, p 234).

Mar. 6, 1822. Armistead Farriss and Martha Hall, daughter of Instance Hall, were married. (Amelia County Marriages).

Dec. 4, 1822. Alfred Ferriss deeded to Winston Harwood for $50.00, 13 1/3 acres of land "which he has as legatee of John Ferriss, Sr., Decd., which said quantity of land was allotted to his sister Pamela Harwood wife of Winston Harwood as legatee of said John Ferriss, Decd. by Commissioners who died without heir". (Henrico County Deeds 24, p 657).

Jan. 15, 1823. Alfred Ferriss deeded to Isaac White for $9.00, 1 acre of land. (Henrico County Deeds 24, p 657).

Jan. 21, 1823. Alfred Ferriss deeded to Isaac White for $30.00 all right and title to 6 acres formerly the property of his sister Elizabeth Dudley, Decd. (Henrico County Deeds 25, p 244).

Feb. 26, 1823. Alfred Ferriss deeded to Winston Harwood for $275.00, 40 acres of land being the land left by his father's will (John Ferriss, Decd.) (Henrico County Deeds 25, p 28).

July 9, 1823. Peter F. Smith and Mary I. his wife deeded to William Adcock and Joseph Fariss, 119 1/2 acres of land on both sides of Buckingham Road. (Powhatan County Deeds 8, p 304).

Dec. 17, 1823. Sylvester Faris and Mary Dickerson, daughter of Peter Dickerson, were married. (Prince Edward County Marriages).

1824. James Faris and Elizabeth Ann Jenkins were married. Witness: Henry Robertson. (Cumberland County Marriages).

Apr. 16, 1824. Bowler Ferriss sold to Oney Ferris for $600.00, 75 acres and also all interest in the dower right of Oney Ferris, widow of Robert C. Ferris, Decd. One Witness was Elizabeth Garthright. (Henrico County Deeds 26, p 244).

Feb. 18, 1825. Report on estate of William M. Faris decd. shows he was Surveyor of Road and there was due him $2.14 for his services. (Fluvanna County Wills 3, p/ 75).

Nov. 25, 1825. Bowler Ferris being now confined under two executions of Capias ad Satisfaciendum in favor of John H'ales, Admr., of George Savage Decd., against the said Bowler Ferris,- one in the sum of $55.29 and the other of $35.43, deeded to Wm. Dandridge, high sheriff, for $100.00, all the right Bowler Ferriss holds in his mother Oony Ferriss' dower land and slaves which fell to him by the death of his brother Wm. Ferriss, also all right and title the said Ferriss holds in the said Oney Ferriss' dower land and slaves which he obtained by deed from George Baker which deed has not been recorded according to law, but is now in my possession,- All in trust. (Henrico County Deeds 29, p 125).

Feb. 3, 1826. Hezekiah Faris and Sarah H. Young were married. (Amherst County Marriages).

Apr. 1, 1826. Oney Ferriss and William Carter, Jr., deeded in trust to William Carter, Sr., for debt due John Hales, Admr., of George Savage, Decd., in the sum of $145.12, 75 acres that formerly belonged to Bowler Ferriss, also all dower right and six slaves. One witness was Edward Garthright. (Henrico County deeds 28, p 301).

Nov. 27, 1826. Wm. Faris in order to secure his creditors David Shields, Charles M. Jones and Willis C. Wills, assigned "all my claim to them for building Fluvanna jail", etc. (Fluvanna County Deeds, 9, p 118).

Apr. 2, 1827. Oraina Ferriss deeded to William Carter, Claiborne Garthright, John A. Eache and Elizabeth Garthright for $175. all her right title and interest in property conveyed to her by Bowler Ferriss being his portion of dower right as legatte to the estate of Robert C. Ferriss, Decd., viz, 75 acres and 5 slaves. Witness Edward F. Garthright. (Henrico County Deeds 29, p 344).

Apr. 12, 1827. William Adcock of Chesterfield County deeded to Joseph Faris all right, title and interest to 136 acres of land on both sides of the Buckingham Road. (Powhatan County Deeds 10, p 107)

June 7, 1827. James Taylor and Martha Faris were married. (Richmond City Marriages).

Aug. 8, 1827. George A. Farris and Elizabeth Adams were married. (Marriage Bonds of Greenville County) (Tylers Quarterly Historical and Genealogical Magazine, Vol. 6, p 183).

Mar. 11, 1828. Wm. Mileston and Ann Farris were married. (Powhatan County Marriages).

July 24, 1829. Orania Fariss deeded to John Fisher for $130.00, 70 acres of land. (Witness: Claiborne Garthright) (Henrico County Deeds, 31, p 364).

Dec. 28, 1830. Matthew Utley and Elizabeth Farris, daughter of Joseph Fariss, were married. Witnesses: Peter Lesueur, James J. Feriss. (Powhatan County Marriages). (p 110).

Sept. 29, 1831. William Maddox and Judith Fariss, daughter of Joseph Fariss, were married. Witness Joseph Fariss. (Powhatan County Marriages, p 113).

1832. Guardian's account of Marshall Fariss guardian of John L. Fariss for years, 1826 to 1832 inclusive. Also same for Morris G. Fariss and Robert F. Fariss for same years. (Amelia County Wills, 12, p 340).

Feb. 13, 1832. Lucy B. Faris and Wm. Taliaferro, Jr., were married. (Louisa County Marriages, p 247 and p 416).

Nov. 8, 1833. Aaron Faris obtained a patent for 158 3/4 acres of land in Morgan County of the drains of the Potomuck River. (Northern Neck Land Grants, Vol. D2, p 278).

Nov. 15, 1833. Aaron Faris obtained a patent for 64 acres of land in Morgan County, touching the lands of Faris and Smith. (Northern Neck Land Grants, Vol. D2, p 279).

Dec. 24, 1834. Mary Faris and James Rees were married. (Prince Edward County Marriages).

In 1835 Lucy Ann Thornton Hicou (1813-1849) married Eugene Ferris (who died in 1878). They had eight children. (Va Mag of His and Biog., Vol 47, p 68).

Revolutionary War Pensioners (Virginians), who in 1835 resided in:

Cumberland County Virginia, Jacob Farris, age 82.
Washington County Kentucky, Elijah Faris, age 72.
Rock Castle County Kentucky, Moses Faris.
(Virginia Militia in the Revolution, McAllister).

June 18, 1835. Thomas B. Hamlett and Emaline C. Fariss, daughter of Joseph Fariss, were married. (Witness: Joseph Fariss. (Powhatan County Marriages, p 121).

July 2, 1835. The will of Jacob Fariss mentions: wife, Susannah Fariss; daughter Mire Ballow; son James Fariss. Also mentions Judah Moon Ballow daughter of William Ballow. (Cumberland County Wills, 9, p 391). Will dated 7-2-1835,- probated July 1837.

June 13, 1836. Thos W. Farish was a witness on deed transferring shares of stock. (The Edward Pleasants' Valentine Papers, Vol. I, p 504).

July 27, 1836. Wm. H. Farish and Rachel Row were married. Security: George B. Farish. (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol. XXXVII, p 328). (Caroline County)

Apr. 15, 1837. Henry B. Chalkley and Susan Fariss, daughter of John Fariss, were married. (Chesterfield County Marriages, p 253 and p 450).

July 29, 1837. Inventory of estate of Jacob Fariss shows appraised value of $6,122.49. (Cumberland County Wills, 10, p 3).

July 26, 1837. John Terry and Elizabeth Thompson were married. Security: J. D. Farish. (Caroline County) (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol. XXXVII, p 328).

July 1837. Will of Jacob Fariss dated 7/2/1835, probated. (Cumberland County Wills, 9, p 391).

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Oct. 24, 1837. A deed made by Archibald A. Fariss to Joshua Beasley shows that Richard Fariss died "seised" of certain land purchased by him from John Cheadle; which land descended to Archibald A. Fariss, Mitchell A. Fariss, Sarah A. Fariss alias Bagby, and Mary A. Faris alias Reese. Also that Thomas Austin of Buckingham County by his will bequeth to his sister Mary Fariss certain slaves; and by the death of Mary Fariss her children, Archibald A. Fariss, Mitchell A. Fariss, Sarah A. Fariss alias Bagby, and Mary A. Fariss alias Reese inherited these slaves. (Prince Edward County Deeds, 22, p 160).

Oct. 28, 1837. Inventory of estate of Mary Faris, Decd., submitted. (Prince Edward County Wills, 8, p 40).

Dec. 12, 1837. A deed made by James Bagby and Sarah M. Bagby, his wife, Archibald A. Farriss and Mason W., his wife, James Reese and Mary his wife, Mitchell Farriss and Elizabeth his wife, to various persons. (Prince Edward County Deeds 22, p 202).

Oct. 9, 1838. Inventory of the estate of Mary Faris, Decd., submitted. (Prince Edward County Wills, 8, p 149).

June 20, 1839. Inventory of the estate of Archibald A. Fariss Decd. (Prince Edward County Wills, 8, p 178).

Sept. 24, 1839. Division of land of Jacob Fariss Decd. into three equal parts of 147 1/2 acres each, to Myra Ballow; Joseph Harris and wife, and James Fariss (John Caldwell not claiming any portion) (Cumberland County Wills 10, p 177).

Sept. 26, 1839. Settlement of estate of Jacob Fariss shows legatees as Joseph Harris, James Fariss, John Caldwell, and Myree Ballow. (Cumberland County Wills 10, p 187).

Nov. 20, 1840. Elizabeth Faris and Thomas Green were married. (Prince Edward County Marriages).

July 3, 1841. Will of Joseph Fariss mentions: daughter Nancy Mileston,- son James J. Fariss,- daughter, Judith J. Maddox Decd.,- daughter Emaline C. Hamlet,- sons Thomas E. Fariss and Edwin A. Fariss. Grandson Wm. Joseph Maddox. Will dated 7/3/1841 Probated 10/4/1841. (Powhatan County Wills 11, p 411).

Oct. 21, 1842. Thomas E. Fariss deeded to James J. Fariss 105 acres of land being the same lands as he received from the division of his father Joseph Fariss' estate. (Powhatan County Deeds, 15, p 461). 1842 Powhatan Co.

Oct. 21, 1842. James J. Fariss gave a deed of trust on 105 acres of land to Romelus M. Layne. (Powhatan County Deeds 15, p 541).

Apr. 29, 1844. Seaton Farris and Julia Ann Gary, daughter of James Gary, were married. Witness: Massena Gary. (Chesterfield County Marriages, p 309).

Jan. 23, 1845. William Valentine and Frances Fariss, daughter of John Fariss Decd. and Catherine Farris, were married. (Richmond City Marriage license).

Feb. 5, 1845. James J. Fariss and Mary J. Fariss, his wife, and Thomas E. Fariss deeded to Lucy L. French, 105 acres of land. (Powhatan County Deeds 16, p 462).

Apr. 20, 1846. John J. Faris and Angelica E. V. Crawford were married. (Richmond City Marriage License).

Dec. 13, 1847. Lucy Ann Faris, daughter of Hudson Faris Decd., and Wm. T. Bibb were married. (Louisa County Marriage Records, p 328 and p 445).

Dec. 28, 1847. Curtis C. Farris and Laura Ann Roach were married. (Chesterfield County Marriage Records, p 334 and p 469). (She was the daughter of Millinton D. Roach. Witness: William Talbott.

July 25, 1848. Lafayette Faris and Milley Ann Amonett, daughter of Creed Amonett, were married. Witness: Wm. M. Ethridge. (Chesterfield County Marriages, p 339).

Dec. 18, 1848. John A. Faris and Martha J. Bass, daughter of James S. Bass, were married. (Richmond City Marriages).

Dec. 20, 1852. Mary E. Faris and James S. Johns were married. (Louisa County Marriages, p 354). (Also p 455 and p 468).

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The name of Larkin Faris appears as a private, Continental Line, Revolutionary War. (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol. II, p 366).

Robert Farish listed as a Surgeon's Mate who received a land bounty for services in the Virginia Continental Line. (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol XVI, p 42).

Benjamin Woodson was the son of Robert Woodson (1634 post 1707) and Elizabeth Ferris) (Va. Mag of His and Biog. Vol 45, p 314).

Eugene Ferris, of Irish descent, married the youngest daughter of John Micou (1764-1848), Lucy Ann, who died leaving children. Ferris then married Harriet, his first wife's older sister. She died childless and then he married Susan B. a still older sister. (Va Mag of His and Biog. Vol 47, p 67).

Gwathmey, in his "Virginians in the Revolution" lists the following on page 264.---Andrew Faris, Morgan's Riflemen,- Elijah Faris,- Isaac Faris,- John Faris, Bedford Militia,- Larkin Faris,- Marlen Faris, Western Battalion,- Martin Faris,- Moses Faris, 2nd Va. Brigade,- Moses Faris,- Richard Faris,- Robert Faris, Rockbridge Militia,- Thomas Faris, - William Faris, Continental Line.

Eckenrode in his "List of Colonial Soldiers of Virginia" gives the name of Benjamin Faris on page 38. On page 158 he lists the following: Isaac Faris; John Faris, Bodford Militia; John Faris; Larkin Faris; Martin Faris; Richard Faris; Larkin Farish; Larkin Farish; Richard Faris; Robert Farish; Robert Farish; Jacob Farris, Cumberland; Martin Farris, Fluvanna; William Farris; Thomas Farress; William Feris.

Brumbaugh in his "Revolutionary War Records-Virginia" under Virginia Military Land Warrants (Ohio District) gives the following: p 191 - Larkin Faris, Pvt. Cont. 100 acres.
p 203 - Martin Faris, Soldier Inf.
p 341 - Martin Faris, in his own right, State Line Ser.
p 429 - William Faris, soldier in Cont Line 3 years.

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The First Census of the United States taken in 1790, lists the following persons as living in Virginia: CUMBERLAND COUNTY: (1782) p 15 Benjamin Faris. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY: (1782) p 26 James Fearis. HANOVER COUNTY: (1782) John Faris, Sr., Richard Faris (p 28). PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY: (1782) p 40 Jacob Farris, Joseph Farris, Sr., Joseph Farris, Jr., Charles Farris. CUMBERLAND COUNTY: (1784) p 67 Jacob Faris: ROCKINGHAM COUNTY (1784) John Faris (p 77). ALBEMARLE COUNTY: (1785) p 80 William Fariss. PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY: (1785) p 98 Joseph Farris, Sr. ROCKINGHAM COUNTY: (1784) Johnston Pharis.

It will be noted that no person by the name of Faris, Farris, Fariss, Ferris, or Pharis is listed in the Census of 1790 as living in Louisa, Goochland or Henrico Counties, yet the land and personal tax lists of these counties for the period from 1782 to 1790 show that persons by these names were residents of these counties.

IN FACT NO LISTS OF ANY KIND FOR LOUISA, GOOCHLAND OR HENRICO COUNTIES APPEAR IN THE 1790 CENSUS!

The absence of the lists of residents for these counties may be explained by the fact reports for this census were filed in the State Department and the returns of several States were destroyed when the British burned the Capitol at Washington during the War of 1812.

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Oct. 3, 1679. Richard Ferris mentioned as a debtor to the estate of Col. Cocke, Dec'd. (Henrico County Wills, Deeds, etc., 1677-1692, p 108). Richard Ferris made three presentments as a member of the Grand Jury, Oct. 1684. (p 294). Richard Ferris petitioned the Court for permission of himself and about 40 persons to arm themselves, hunt and kill wolves in Chickahominy Swamp. (p 493). (These three items left out of proper place)

Supplement to the Data
of
Commander William H. Phillips

This supplement has been taken from official documents, Bible records, records of private research, published family records, family traditions, etcetera. One must use his own judgement as to its value. Perhaps it may assist in connecting gaps of "drop stitches" in their own study. If so, we are fully paid for the effort, if not we hope no harm has been done.

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Corruptions in the Family Name, "Farris"

Those who recorded marriages, births, baptisms, deaths as well as legal documents, seemed to have taken many liberties, to say the least, with the family name, we, today call FARRIS.

It has been corrupted by some one in almost every generation until the records reveal the following variations: "Fferrer, fferrer, Ferrar, Ffarrar, Faires, Ffaires, Fara, Farish, Faris, Farris".

The following are illustrations taken from the records:

Douglas Parish Register

Marriages

fferrer, Richard to Eliz. Sanders

fferrer, Perine to Sarah Lacy

fferrer, Joseph Royal and Phebe Harris 1763

FFERRAR, John and Mary Wadlaw 1755

Births

John fferrer and Mary Wadlaw, son 1758

Joseph-Royal Ferrer and Phebe Harris, son 1767

Note: Joseph Royal fferrer of 1863
becomes Joseph Royal Ferrer in 1867

John FFERRAR of 1755 becomes

John fferrer in 1758

LOUISA COUNTY RECORDS

Record of Louisa County, Virginia, reveal that the brother marriages of John and William, and the father, Richard's, second marriage are recorded as follows:

The father, Richard Farrar, Richard Farrar to Susannah Shelton 1769.

The sons, John & William, John Faris to Mary Rowe, 1794, William Farrar to Elizabeth Barnett, 1806.

Less liberty seems to have been taken with the ladies' names by these recorders as the first wife of Richard "Farrar, "fferrer" or Faris, is always found to be Elizabeth or Eliza Sanders or Saunders. The name of "Saunders" was sometimes used by the family. Hezekiah Faris, her grandson, named one of his sons "Saunders" for his grandmother's family name.

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RICHARD FARIS

Born Goochland County, Virginia circa 1725; died Louisa County, Virginia before 1790; married Elizabeth Sanders or Saunders March 20, 1756,*(Douglas Parish Register, Page 104; and (second marriage) Susannah Shelton, in Louisa County, May 2, 1769, Bond signed by Wm. Shelton; moved to Louisa County 1762.

Children:

1. STEPHEN, Born March 20, 1756 and baptized May 9, 1756 (Douglas Register, P. 193) Married in Virginia

2. SHADRACK, Born September 5 1757, baptized March 26, 1758 (Douglas Parish Register, P. 193)

3. PRISCILLA, Born April 8, 1759, (Douglas Parish Register, P. 193)

4. RENE, Born March 22, 1761, baptized June 28, 1761, (Douglas Parish Register)

5. THOMAS, Settled in Tennessee in 1817. Married Mary (Polly) Nash in Virginia

6. WILLIAM, Married December 16, 1806, Louisa County, Virginia, Elizabeth Barnett, (She was a daughter of Robert F. Barnett)

7. RICHARD, Born in Louisa County Virginia, 1765, died in Franklin County, Tennessee from kick of a horse in 1811. Married Martha McClellan, 1797 in Hanover County, Virginia.

8. JOHN, (Spelled Farrar in Court records and Faris in Bible) born March 25, 1768. Moved to Franklin County, Tennessee, 1814. Married Mary Rowe 1794.

9. BETSY, Married Lewis Gillaspie, 6 March 1801.

10. NANCY, Married Samuel Sexton.

THE FOLLOWING WERE HALF BROTHERS TO ABOVE ACCORDING TO ROBERT F. FARIS (1862-1942)

11. JAMES, (A Methodist Preacher) Came to Tennessee circa 1811-1814 married. Children: Dow, Fletcher and Serene

12. CHARLES, B., (Called Kit) A methodist Preacher. Children: Nancy, married Williamson and Robertson

Revolutionary Record of Richard Faris (circa 1725-prior to 1790)

"This certifies that the following is a correct copy from records preserved in the Virginia State Library, the reference in "B.W.-Bounty Warrant.

In the list of privates who have not drawn their bounty bonds the name of Richard Faris appears. This list was compiled by John Blagrove, Registrar of the land office in Richmond, Virginia, on December 11, 1811.

Richmond, Virginia
October 21, 1930

Mary B. Pollard"

*In Douglass Paris Register there are two listings of marriages, one without explanatory remarks and the second with the following statement: "Marriages not recorded by Rev. Wm. Douglass, but indicated by the Birth Registry. Date here given, unless otherwise specified, is the birth of the first child shown in the register". This information is taken from the "second list".

RICHARD FARIS, two daughters

The following is submitted to prove that Richard Faris (1725-1790) and Elizabeth Saunders or 2nd wife Susanah Shelton had at least two daughters, vis; Elizabeth (Betsy) Farris, who married Lewis Gillespie March 6, 1801.

Children: Macagrie Elmore Gillespie, born Dec. 6, 1801

William H. Gillespie, born November 20, 1802

James Gillespie, born January 13, 1804

These entries of the marriage and the Gillespie children's births are in the John Faris (1768-1853) Bible in possession of Will Faris of R#3, Winchester, Tennessee

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Nancy Faris married Samuel Sexton (1786-1856) who served in War of 1812 in Col. Metcalf's, West Tennessee Regt. Captains Barbee and Collins as 4th Sgt., Militia Infantry.

Robert Franklin Faris (1860-1942) and John Thomas Farris (1853-1940) were discussing family history in the late 1930's and both said they had great-aunts, Betsy Gillespie and Nancy Sexton.

John Thomas Farris always referred to his father-in law, William Henry Brown Phillips (grandfather of Commander William H. Phillips, Compiler of this date) as "Cousin Henry", as W.H.B. Philips' wife was Elizabeth Sexton daughter of Nancy (Faris) Sexton, and therefore a first cousin of Richard Nash Faris (1816-1897) the father of John Thomas Farris.

The Farrar Family
as recorded in
A History of Louisa County, Virginia
Pages 313-316
by
Malcolm H. Harris, MD
West Point, Va.
1936

Nicholas Farrar, a French Huguenot, born in 1546, moved to England where he married Mary Wodenoth. He died in 1620. He was one of the stock holders of the Virginia Company.

Children:
1. Susannah m. Thomas Collet
2. John B. m. Barsheba Owen
3. Erasmus b. 1591
4. Nicholas b. Feb. 22, 1592
5. CAPT. WILLIAM b. 1593
6. Richard b. 1596
7. Joyce

1st Family of Va

CAPTAIN WILLIAM[1], son of Nicholas and Mary Wodenoth Farrar came to Virginia in 1612 and married Cicely Jordan, of Jordan's Journey. They had two sons who lived in Charles City and Henrico (counties).

Capt William[2] d. 1675 + John[2] d-1685 m Mary —

Children:
1. Maj. William m. (1) Priscilla Baugh (2) Mary Liggon b. 1660
2. THOMAS[3] b. 1665 m. Catherine Perrin.
3. John[3] b. 1670 m. Temperance, daughter of John Brown.
4. Martha[3] m. Walter Shipley of Charles City
5. Cicely[3]

THOMAS[3], son of Col. William[2] and Mary Farrar, was born 1665 and 1686 married Catherine Perrin in Henrico County.

Children:
1. Perrin[4]
2. WILLIAM[4]
3. Thomas[4]
4. Martha[4]
5. John[4]

P-P- Wm[4] - Joseph John Perrin Martha Mary Sarah Katherine - m — Barnett

WILLIAM, son of Thomas and Catherine Perrin Farrar married ~~Sarah Farrar~~ Sarah Farrar.

Children:
1. Perrin[5] m. Sallie Lady
2. William[5] m. Mary Williams
3. RICHARD[5] m. ELIZA SANDERS
4. John[5] m. Mary Walton

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PERRIN son of William was born in Goochland County. He married Sallie Lacy of St. Martin's Parish, Hanover County, December 30, 1757. Soon after this they removed to Louisa County and established themselves at Farrowbank on the old Mountain Road (Shelfar). He died in 1785 and his will dated June 12, 1785 was probated at Louisa November 6, 1785. He and his wife were both buried at Farrow Bank.

Children:
1. Ann b. Oct. 9, 1758
2. MATHEW b. Oct. 29, 1760 m. Martha Murrel
3. Sally b. Feb. 2, 1765 m. Mathew Anderson
4. Lucy b. Aug. 4, 1769 m. Langy Jones
5. Elizabeth b. Oct. 14, 1769 m. John Lee
6. Stephen m. Betsy Rice (Revolutionary Soldier)
7. Fanny m. John Hancock

MATHEW, son of Perin was born Oct. 29, 1760 and baptized Dec. 4, 1760. He was a soldier in the Revolution serving in the Va. Militia in the Carolina Campaign and was wounded at Guilford Court House MB. Goochalnd, Dec. 17, 1782.

He married Martha Murrel. His home was at Farrow Bank and there he was buried when he died in his 84th year, in 1844.

Children:
1. Sullie m. Mau. Thomas Shelton
2. Nancy
3. Judith
4. STEPHEN m. Susan Duncan
5. Martha
6. Catherine Smith
7. Mathew m. Miss Holland and lived in Mississippi
8. Garland m. Mary L. Shepherd
9. Elizabeth Oliver m. M. B. Shepherd, one son John Newton

COL. STEPHEN, son of Mathew and Martha Murrel Farrar was born at Farrowbank in 1791. He married Susan, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Bacon Duncan of Louisa, born 1794.

Col. Farrar was an officer in the War of 1812 and justice of the County Court. He died in 1870. His wife died in 1884. They were buried at his home on the South Anna on lands joining the Duncan place. MB June 5, 1880 (L.R.)

Children:
1. Robert, died in infancy
2. JAMES m. Sallie Waddy
3. John M.D. died of yellow fever in Mississippi 1847
4. Mathew d. in youth
5. Sullie Bacon b. Nov. 11, 1831 d. July 15, 1916
6. Mildred Dabney m. James M. Hart (See Hart Family)

JAMES EDWARD, son of Col. Stephen and Susan D. Farrar was born in 1823 and died in March 1897. He was a Lieutenant in Co. a, 23 Reg. Va. C.S.A. He married Sallie, daughter of William and Mary P. Waddy; she was born in 1828 and died in 1902. They were married in 1847, Jan. 5 (LR).

Children:
1. John died in youth
2. STEPHEN DUNCAN m. Sally Vaughn
3. WILLIAM m. Alice Walton
4. Patsy m. Robert Mansfield

STEPHEN DUNCAN son of James E. and Dolly W. Farrar was born in 1855 and died in Richmond, Virginia, 1924. He married (1) Dolly Vaughn born 1821 of Hanover County (2) Miss Leadbetter of Hanover. His wife survived him.

Children by first marriage:
1. Catherine b. July 4, 1887 m. W. T. Turner
by second marriage
2. Susan
3. Betsy

WILLIAM, son of James and Sally W. Farrar was born about 1857. He married _ice, daughter of James and Susan Walton of Louisa. He died in 1922.

Children:
1. Janie
2. Julia m. Mr. Ware

Cousin Johnny

Tradition as Related by John Thomas Farris, (1852-1940)

John Thomas Farris (1852-1940), son of Richard Nash Farris (1816-1897) son of Thomas Faris (-1862) and Mary (Polly) Nash Faris (-1860) related the following about the Farris family:

Thomas Faris (-1862) was one of several brothers, names mentioned elsewhere, who came to Tennessee when Richard Nash, his father, was one year old, from near Richmond, Virginia, where they were boatmen on the James River and that Thomas came to Tennessee to transport produce down the Mississippi River to New Orleans, La., by flat boat.

En route they came as far as possible in their wagons and then the roads would not permit wagon travel they sold wagon and made the remainder of the trip by horseback and on foot. At one river crossing the stream was out of its banks so a feather bed was strapped on one of the horses and Mary (Polly) (Nash) Faris was placed on the horse with one-year old son, Richard Nash, in her lap and horse swam the river.

Tom Faris purchased land on Elk River, site of East Brook Springs, 5 miles north of Winchester where he could have a "boat landing."

How a Flat Boat was Built

The "flat boats" were constructed in the following manner: "Gunnels" or sides were yellow poplar timbers 2' x 4' x 100' long. Trees of this size did not grow in this section on account of the land not being fertile, so they were forced to go down the river several miles to get a poplar tree that would square four feet and be 100 feet long and float it up stream.

The boat was built upside down near the bank of the river when stream was low -- in the fall or summer, --floored with non-tongue and grooved plank and between the planks "calked" with rags using an eight inch "calking chisel." (He never said how wide the boat was). Then the boat was turned over by use of an improvised block and tackle and placing rock on the boat at certain stages of the operation to assist. The boat was loaded in the fall and the crew waited for the rise of the river with winter or spring "freshet." The rivers were kept clear of trees by the Federal Government. The boat would "tie up" to the bakn of the river from dark to dawn until it reached the Tennessee or Mississippi River then they would display a light and run all night. All other river traffic must give the right of way to flatboats. This made all flatboats despised by other river transportation.

All kinds of products produced in the county were included in the cargo. After some weeks or months the boat would reach New Orleans where cargo would be sold and boat disposed of for lumber. The crew would return home by boat as far as Nashville or Natchez, Mississippi and the Natchez Trace to Nashville by horseback or foot and then home to Elk River -- a distance of 85 miles.

It is not known how many trips Tom Faris made but the last one was in 1837 and he was accompanied by his son Richard Nash who was 21 years old that year. Richard Nash's earnings for the trip were $110.00.

Thomas Faris saw services in the War of 1812. Very likely in the Virginia Militia.

Muscle Shoals Incident

Muscle Shoals in the Tennessee River was a barrier to navigation, several miles long. Pilots charged $5.00 per flatboat to pilot them safely through. One time Tom Faris thought he knew enough about the shoals to make it without assistance and save the $5.00. The boat ran upon a shoal and they had to throw overboard bales of cotton to lighten the boat so it would float. The bales were, of course, tied together and recovered when over the shoals, but the crew did not get the cotton dried out until shortly before reaching New Orleans.

Benefit of the Clergy

Thomas Faris was tried for manslaughter in Virginia or Tennessee and evidently pleaded "Benefit of the Clergy", under an old English law then in force (or John Thomas Farris well remembers that he was branded in the thumb with "M". No record of this trial has been found.) Thomas Faris made his mark on all papers that now exist. He gave the land for Harris Chapel Methodist Church in 1842. He died in 1862 and is buried with his wife, Polly, at Harris Chapel Cemetery.

Black Dick Faris Fish Trap

On Elk River a short distance below where Boiling Fork Creek empties into the river is the ruins of a fish trap that is known as "Black Dick Faris" trap. Even in the late 1800's no one remembered when it was in operation, yet the rock dam of the trap is yet visible except when the river is very high.

This was evidently built on the land purchased by Richard "Dick" Faris (1765-1811).in 1810 which was located on "both sides of Elk River". The fish trap was probably built that year as he was killed in 1811.

Fish Traps

Fish traps must have been a "must" for Franklin County pioneers who settled on the Elk River, as there are now a dozen or so ruins of such traps on a length of the river of not over 20 miles.

They were constructed as follows: A "V" shaped rock dam was built with the "V" pointed downstream and the downstream part in the center of the river, and the upper part touching both banks. They were located on "shoals" at the lower end of an "eddy" or deep hole.

The dam was built of large rock, some weighing over a ton. Others ranged down to 50 to 100 pounds, however, they had to be sufficiently large that the flood waters would not carry them away. They were not "joined together", but simply piled along the line of the dam.

The lower end of the "V" did not close but ran to about eight or ten feet of closing and then parallel for some 20 feet. It was here that the "Center Trap" was made, but something that was similar to an inverted stairsteps with the steps extending over about 6 inches. The planks making the trap were about 1" x 4" and extending up and down the stream. The main channel of the river came through this channel rapidly. Fish coming down stream had to move faster than the current therefore they would run over the "steps" of the trap into shallow water or dry pockets and could not return up stream.

There was another trap at one side where the dam joined the river bank with a "basket trap" opening downstream. This one caught the fish going up stream. Except in high water there was not much chance for fish to go up or down without a trap ahead. These traps were outlawed by Tennessee law in the late 1930's and all existing ones destroyed.

They must have made quite a contribution to the family budget of the pioneer who lived along these smaller streams.

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Robert Faris (1860-1942)

Robert Franklin Faris (1860-1942), son of Littleton Faris (1808-), on of John Faris (1768-1853) and Mary Rowe relates the following about the Faris family:

He lives on the land purchased by John Faris (1768-1853) and Mary Rowe his wife. Stated that a very large freestone water spring gushing from under a rock "sold" John Faris on the location. On the family Bible fly leaf is this inscription: "John Faris landed here Jan. 8, 1814." This Bible is now in possession of Robert F. Faris' nephew, Will Faris, Winchester, Route #3 . Tennessee. This Bible also has many other entries of interest.

He is certain that:

Thomas, William, Richard and John Faris who came to Tennessee 1804-1811 were brothers and that

James Faris, a Methodist preacher married _____:
Children: Dow
Fletcher
Serene

Charles Faris married in Virginia:
Children: Charles B. (Called Kit) a Methodist preacher
Nancy married (1) Williamson and (2) Roberson

Were their half-brothers

F A R I S F A M I L Y

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Before going into the lineage of the family in America by the name Farris, Faris, Farrar, Farish, Ferrier, and many other spellings of the same name, I wish to quote from Pages 358-9 "American's of Gentle Birth," 1903---- Ferris.

Elizabeth (daughter of Richard Ferris of Ferrers, seated at "Curles", the latter part of 1600), who married Robert Woodson, second son of Dr. John, the emigrant, was issued from an ancient Norman family, Henri de Ferriers of Gascony, which, in the XVII Century intermarried with the Laurence Washington family, ascendants of George Washington, first President of the United States.

In American Ancestory Vol. VII, is found this pedigree of John Ferris, Born 1637, who settled in West Chester, New York, and has many descendants in this country; "The Ferris family was originally from Leisestershire, England, descended from Henri de Ferriers, son of Gwalchelme de Ferriers, Master of Horse to the Duke or Normandy. "Upon the Battle Abbey Roll is found the name of Henri de Ferriers.

The first of the Virginia branch came to this country 1619. It is known that Nicholas Farrar (or Ferrer), a distinguished member of the Virginia Company in London, married Mary Wodenworth, of an old Chestershire family, and had among other children, Nicholas Ferrer (or Farrar) born 1593, educated at Cambridge, took the B. A. degree 1610, traveled in the Princess Elizabeth's suite; emigrated to Virginia 1619. He had a brother Richard born 1596 and who died before 1637, leaving two sons, William and John, ancestors of the large family now known as Farrars.

There is a family tradition that Richard Ferris (or Ferrers), father of Elizabeth, was the brother of Nichclas (born (1596). He might have been a son of Nicholas, or John, or Richard brothers of William, the Barrister, ancestor of the Farrars. As there is no data given of the marriage of Elizabeth to Robert Woodson, her father may have been either a brother or nephew of William. The name, Ferris, is an easy corruption of Ferrer, and the fact that both Farrar and Ferris intermarried with the Woodsons supports the theory that they are of the same ancestory. Probably it was through this family that John Washington came to this country, as the Ferrers intermarried with the Laurence Washington family about the middle of the XVI century.

Nicholas Farrar (or Ferrer), ancestor of American Branch, born in 1546 was issued from the Yorkshire Ferrars, nearly allied to Robert Ferrer, Bishop of St. David's, who suffered martyrdom 1555. Nicholas Farrar was a distinguished member of the Virginia Company; married Mary Wodenworth of an old Cheshire family and had children.---1-Susannah, married Thomas Collett 2-John born 1590 Treasurer of the Virginia Company married Bathside Owen; 3-Erasmus born 1591; 4-Nicholas born 1593, Treasurer of the Virginia Company and member of Parliament; 5-Richard born 1596; 6-William, a barrister who was in Virginia 1621. M. C. 1627-33; Justice of Charles City and Henrico. He died before 1637 leaving two sons, William and John who held prominent

Colonial Offices: Justices, Sheriffs, and Burgesses. No family rendered greater services to the infant colony than the Farrars (Virginia Historical Magazine, Vol. 1, page 419).

Capt. William Farrar had issue:-
1-Col. William, Justice of Henrico, Burgess 1662-6 married Mary and died 1677; Issue.
2-Lieutenant- Colonel John Farrar, Justice, Sheriff and Burgess 1680-84; died unmarried. Col. William Farrar and wife Mary had issue. 1-Major William of Henrico, Justice, Sheriff, Burgess 1700-2 who married first, a daughter of William Baugh, second Mary, widow of William Lygan. 2-Thomas born 1665, married Katherine, etc. etc.

The name has been corrupted to so many various spellings until one would hardly make any connection with the various branches unless a careful study is made to absolutely show above all doubt that they are the same family.

PEDIGREE OF THE FARRERS, page 359----Gwalchelme de Ferriers, father of Henri de Ferriers, assumed the name from a samll town in Gascony, France, otherwise called Ferriers, from the iron mines abounding there, and also because he bore the arms six horseshoes. He came into England with the Conqueror and obtained a grant of Tutbury, Castle Stafford. His son Robert de Ferriers, Lord of Tutbury, having contributed greatly to King Stephen's victory over King David of Scotland was created by that monarch Earl of Derby 1138. He married Havise de Vitri. Their son Robert, 11, Earl of Derby, married Margaret, daughter of William Peverel, Lord of Nottingham. Their son, William, was styled Earl de Ferrers 1167. His son Robert 11, was arbitrator between the Kings of Castile and Navarro 1190; took the cross 1187, became a Crusade 1190; married Sybilla, daughter of Lord Brookwork. He died before Acre 1190. His son, William, succeeded and had many honors added; became a Crusade 1218: married 1192, Agnes, a sister of Earl of Chester. Their son, William succeeded 1248, married first, Sybilla Marshall, fourth daughter of Earl of Pembroke; secondly, Margaret de Quincey, daughter and coheiress of Roger 11, Earl of Winchester. He was succeeded 1254 by his son, Robert de Ferrars, VII Earl of Derby and Ferrars; married first Marie daughter of Hugh le Brun, niece of Henry II, secondly Eleanor, daughter of No Ralph III, Lord of Bassett of Drayton. This line continues down through the Plantagenets. Bolinbrokes, Standleys, and Ghents down to 1677, when Robert Sisley, great-grandson of Robert Dereraux II, Earl of Essex, Viscount Taunworth, Baron Ferrers of Charltey, Privy councellor and Cup Bearer for Coronation of Queen Ann 1702 married, etc. etc. etc.

The above gives a short line on the early history of the family which is shown to have been a most prominent family of early history, intermarrying into lines of Royal descent.

Virginia Magazine Vol. 7- page 319 - 1899----The Farrar Family.

Few persons rendered more eminent service to the infant colony of Virginia than members of the London family of Ferrars, or Farrar, and few deserve to be held in greater honor.

The older writers state that the family was of Yorkshire descent, and was nearly related to Robert Ferrar, Bishop of St. David's who was a native of that country and suffered martyrdom 1555, during the Mariam

persecution; but a present research has only traced the line to Herfordshire.

In 1570 John Farrar, of the town of Hertford, was taxed on 6. 8. On August 13- 1590 administration on the goods of John Farrar of Hartford, was granted to his widow Mary. This John Ferrar was the father of Nicholas (2) Ferrar, Sr., of London. The books of the Skinners' Company show that at Michealmas, 1564, Nicholas Ferrar, son of John Ferrar, of the town of Hartford, was apprenticed to John Harvey, skinner and merchant adventurer, that he took up his freedom December, 1574; became a member of his company, and was it's master in 1613. Nicholas Ferrar born 1544 died April 1620, was an eminent merchant of London and a leading member of the Virginia Company. He traded extensively with East and West Indies, and other parts of the world and was the friends of many of the eminent men of the day. Raleigh, Hawkins, Drake, and Sandys, were frequently his guests. At his house in St. Sythe's Lane, meeting of the Virginia Company were often held. By indenture dated 2nd March 1607, Nicholas Ferrar, of London, Skinner, bought from Wm. Allen of London, Esq., for £1000 a house in St. Sythe's Lane, parish of St. Bennet Sherehog. "Now in the possession of said Farrar." and on June 1st, 1608, he bought from the same person for £20, "all the chamber now in the holding of said William Allen, scituate and being over the gate of the great message, now in the tenure of said Nicholas Ferrar, "The purchase of this "great chamber over the gate, "was Ferrar says, "for the meeting of the Virginia Company. Carter's life of Nicholas Ferrar (JR) 1892,gives the following in regard to Nicholas Ferrar, Sr., and his wife:

Nicholas Ferrar, the elder, was a fair type and the great merchants of London, well born, loyal (he was written Esquire by Queen Elizabeth: in turn for liberal assistance), hot tempered, generous hearted, a man of wide sympathies, gathering many of the notable men of the day round the hospitable table of his fine houses in the city; a zealous Churchman, repairing and seating at his own expense, his Parish Church of St. Sythes, and providing a morning preacher for the same. Mr. Ferrar's portrait by Jenssen, is to be seen at Cambridge, in the Master's Lodge, of Magdelen College, a fine face with uprightness and honesty in every line. His wife Mary Woodenoth, of the ancient family of the Woodenoths of Shavington, was a remarkable woman, giften with the same power of empressing her personality on those around her, which was one of the most marked characteristics of her son Nicholas. Her portrait hangs beside her husband's. The firm delicate lines of finely cut features, the exquisitely fair complexion, the noble and serious countenance, suit well with the description which is given of her in the memoir of her son, "We are told that she was beautiful, bright haried and fair, even to her eightieth year (at her death in 1634). She is said to have been, in her 83rd year at her death. Highly educated, of a strong judgement, a wise and even temper so that her choloric husband declared that, in their five and forty years of married life, she had never given him cause for anger; a woman who did not talk much, but whose work was law in her little world, and whose discreet, careful charitable life was grounded in a deep love and study of the will of God."

Nicholas Ferrar, the second, married Mary, daughter of George Woodenoth of Shavington, Cheshire.

The following is the pedigree of the family of Woodnett or Woodnoth, condensed from the Visitation of Cheshire, giving successive generations from father of son; 1- Robert Woodnett, temp. Henry III., 2- William Woodnett, the first of Shevington; 3- Randall Woodnett of Shevington; 4- Robert Woodnett living temp. Edward III. 5- Randall Woodnett married Eva, daughter of John Brow; 6- John Woodnett, living temp. Richard 11 married Margery, daughter of Thomas Trobblenshall; 7- John Woodnett, of Shevington, living temp. Henry VI, married Margary, daughter of and heir of John Weaver, Esq., 8- George Woodnett of Shevington living temp. Edward IV, married Anne, daughter of Robert Corbett of Atherton: 9- Laurence Woodnett, died in Ireland 4th year of Henry VII; married Joice daughter of Thomas Wilbram, of Woodhey, Esq., 10- George Woodnett, of Shevington, married first Maud, daughter of Ralfe Wood, of Bardersley, Esq., second, Anne, sister of Richard Starkey of Stratton and widow of Boroughs; 11- Mary, wife of Nicholas Farrar of London.

The following is an abstract of the will of "Nicholas Farrar", citizen and skinner, of London, Legacies; £300 to the erecting a college in Virginia for the conversion of infidels' children unto Christian religion, to be disposed of at the advice of Sir Edwin Sandys and my son, John Farrar, to St. Thomas Hospital, £10. To Christ's Hospital £5; To St. Bartholomew Hospital. £5. To Bydwell (Bridewell Hospital and prison) £5; To the poor of Harford (Hartford, where I was born £10.) To the Company of Skinners, three or four silver bowls to drink in, to the value of 20 marks, and 20 marks to make them a dinner. To my friend and partner, Sir Thomas Middleton, a ring. Other legacies to friends; to my cousin Mary Stead a ring of gold. To my daughter Farrar, my great gilt basin and ewer. To my son John Collett, and his wife my basin and ewer. To Mary Collett their daughter, £500. To the rest of my daughter Collett's children £20 apiece. To my grand child Nicholas Farrar £100. To my son John the house where I now dwell in St. Benet, Sherog, but my wife Mary, to enjoy the same so long as she lives. To my son Nicholas, my house at Hartford called the Bell, after the decease of his mother. To my wife Mary, one-third part of all my goods, one other third to my sons Nicholas and Richard and the other third to my son, John, Nicholas and Richard. To the poor, 75 gowns, which is my age. Dated 23rd March 1619; pvd. in the Prorogative Court of Canterbury, 4th April 1620 by Nicholas Farrar, the son and executor nominated.

Abstract of the will of Mrs. Mary Farrar mentions that she purchased by deed dated May 30- 1635 lands in Little Gidding, in the name of her son, Nicholas Farrar, and nephew Arthur Woodenoth, Her son Nicholas to pay all debts out of the estate, and statement that Arthur had released all his claim to her son Nicholas. Nicholas to pay Marie Collet, one of the Children of Susanna Collett -50. The residue to her sons, Nicholas and John. To her cousin John Collett £10. To her husband's niece Marie Steed, a great silver salt and to her sister Wright £2, and to her cousin John Farrar, their brother 31 dated 29- 1628. Proved July 12- 1634.

Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, Vol. 7, page 432.
Nicholas and Mary Farrar of London, had issue:

1- John (3)
2- Erasmus (3) born 1591; Barrister-at-law; died without issue:
3- Nicholas (3).
4- Richard (3) of London: merchant; had an only son, Richard, who was age 25 years in 1684 and was then unmarried.

*5- William
6- Joyce (3)
7- Susan (3) married John Collett

John Farrar (3) born 1590 was an active and influential member of the Virginia Company, and was a member of the royal council for the body. He was deputy treasurer of the Company from April 28- 1619, to May 22, 1622, M.P. for Tamworth, 1621-22, and wrote memoirs of his brother Nicholas and son Nicholas (who died in 1640). He retired with his brother to Little Gidding, where he died Sept. 28- 1657. By his second marriage with Bethshede Owen, he had a daughter, Virginia (of course, named for the Colony) who throughout life took an active interest in the country for which she was named; was an earnest supporter of the attempt to introduce silk culture into Virginia and in 1651 published a map of the Colony.

Nicholas Farra (3) born February 23, 1593, died December 2, 1637, was one of the wisest and best friends the infant colony of Virginia ever had. From early youth his talents and virtues excited high expectations. He entered Clar Hall, Cambridge, at the age of fourteen and in 1610 took his B. A. degree and was elected a fellow of his college. His desire was to reside at Cambridge; but his health failing, he was advised to travel) and went abroad in April, 1613, in the suite of the Princess Elizabeth who had recently married the Elector Palatine. He had previously received from his university the degree of M.A. at Amsterdan he fled the Elector's party, and for several years traveled and studied in Germany, Italy, and Spain, returning to England in 1618. He wished to return to Cambridge, but his father was old and the business concerns of the firm were more than his older brother could manage by himself. So he remained in London and entered actively into the business and political affairs of the time. He became a member of the Virginia Company in 1619 and was it's deputy treasurer from May 22, 1622 to July 1624. With the Earl of Southampton and Sir Edwin Sandys, he led the liberal party in the Company. All writers have agreed in praising the zeal and ability he displayed while holding this office. As has been said, he "deserves our highest regard at the very soul of that colonization scheme." "Farrar was the author of all the various letters of introduction to the Colonial governors, to the Colony, of the defence against the chicanery and assaults of the Courts, at the Council table and in the Courts----- to him all went for advice and information, and in him centered all the company's affairs."

*William Ferrar or Farrar or Faris has been stated by all the most authoritative writers on early Virginia history, such as Mr. Brown and Mr. Neill, to have been a son of Nicholas Ferrar, Sr., of London and a brother of John and Nicholas Ferrar and the present writer has no doubt that this is true, but it should be stated that no positive proof of the fact has ever been produced. That Nicholas Farrar, Sr., had a son William is certain. The records of the Middle Temple show the admission May 10, 1610, of "William Ferrar, third son of Nicholas Ferrar., of the City of London, getn., "A lady who has with much labor and experience gathered extensive material for a history of the family, has kindly allowed her collection to be used in preparing this genealogy. In this collection is a chart pedigree prepared a year or two ago by an English Genealogist, which gives among the sons of Nicholas Ferrar, Sr., "William born 1587, a barrister, who has two children whose names are given in the chart. Elizabeth and John". This would be important testimony.

but unfortunately no authority is given. Mr. Brown in the Genesis, says William Farrar was born in 1594-5. In the Virginia census of 1634-5, the "Muster of Mr. William Farrar and Mr. Jordan." At Jordan's Journey is given, and it is stated that William Farrar, aged 31 years (at the date of the census) came to Virginia in the ship Neptune in 1618. It is from this evidently that Mr. Brown derives the date of his birth. It is also evident that the date given in the chart pedigree must be wrong that his oldest son, John was born in 1590.

It should also be noted that neither Nicholas Farrar, Sr., now his wife make any mention of a son William in their wills. It is hoped the desired proof may be discovered.

(Since the above was in type, the compiler has seen a letter, dated Feb. 2- 1900 from Mr. M.L. Ferrar, of Ealing, Eng. the chief authority on the family, who says: "we have all along thought that William Ferrar, who went to Virginia, died young------i.e. unmarried., but now we know that we were wrong. I had only known that he was alive in 1621 in Virginia").

William Farrar or Ferrar, who came to Virginia in 1618 soon became a man of Prominence. He was a commissioner (Magistrate) for "The Upper Parts"., a member of the Council 1623-- to 1633, or more probably until his death, which occurred some time prior to June 11- 1637. He is commonly stated to have married Cicely, widow of Samuel Jordan; but there is no postive proof of this. The only reference to the matter in the records is the statement that Mrs. Jordan had first engaged herself to marry Rev. Greville Pooley, and afterwards William Farrar; and what the authorities in Virginia referred to these in England the question whether she could legally marry Farrar after her promise to Pooley or whether the pro-contract made any subsequent engagement void. The result does not appear, but it is probable that William Farrar did marry Mrs. Jordan.

Issue of William Farra (3)
*1- William (4)
2- John (4)

*William Farrar (4) William (3) of Henrico County, Virginia, first appears in any extent record as a patentee of land in 1637. On June 11, of that year, Gov. Harvey granted to William Farrar, son and heir William Farrar, late of Henrico, deceased. "2,000 acres in Henrico abutting easterly upon the Globe land of Varina, and thence extending westerly to the bottom of -------Island, southerly upon the main river, and northerly into the woods. The said land being due him for the transportation at his own charges, of 40 persons into the colony. This land was the neck, now cut off by the Dutch Gap Canel, known as Farrar's Island.

Colonel William Farrar was a member of the House of Burgesses, March 1659-60 (Henning Vol. 1, page 527) and from March 1660-61 to March 1675-76, the "Long Parliament of Virginia" (Henning 11, page 197--- (Henning Vol. 11 page 249). He died in February or March 1677-8. He married _____.

The following is a copy of his will.

In the name of God, Amon, I, William Farrar, of Henrico, in the P'ish of Varina, doe make and ordains this my last will and testament viz: I give and bequeath to my very loving Brother, Capt. John Farra, two p'cells of land w'ch was formerly laid out and measured by Coll. Thomas Liggon, one p'cell lying n'thout Capt. Davis ' bottome, containing aboute three hundred acres, the other p'cell w'thin the said Bottome containing something of two hundred Acres, All w'ch I freely give to my said brother and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever, and for want of such issue, I give and bequeath the said p'cells of land to my two sonnes, Thomas Farrar and John Farrar, and ot the heirs, of their bodyes lawfully begotten, and if either of them dye before he have issue, then the surviving to enjoy the s'd land for ever. But in the guift of these two p'cells of land to my Brother John Farrar, I make this caution and exception, that my Brother John Farrar shall relinquish all the right, title and interest he hath to a p'cell of land I for'ly gave called by the name of Colesfield, or else this my bequeath to be of no force to him or his _____.

Item-----I give and bequeath to my sonne William Farrar, this neck of land (Farrar's Island) I live on to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever, and the s'd neck of land is to goe beyond my now dwelling house to a ridge of trees aboute two hundred yards of (off); but if it shall please God that my sonne shall depart this life w'thout issue, then my will and desire is that my sonnes Thomas Farrar and John Farrar, have the same and enjoy the s'd neck of land to them and theirs heir lawfully begotton forever.

Item-----I give and bequeath to my sonnes Thomas Farrar and John Farrar and the male heirs of their bodyes lawfully begotten, all the land that I have a right and title to w'thout this neck of land al-ready given to my oldest sonne William Farrar, and those two p'cells given to my Brother John Farrar, all the rest I do give to my p'cells.

s'd sonnes Thomas and John and their heirs as above s(d forever, to be equally divided between them, when they please, after they shall come of age. I ordain and appointe my Bro'r John Farrar, and my sonne Wm. Farrar, to be the Exec'rs of this my reall estate accord'g to this my last will and testament.

In witness thereof I set to my hand and seale this 5th day of May 1676.

William Farrar (SEALED) with red wax.

Teste: Tho. Daubly, Nichoel Turpin

Pro. dio Feb'ery 1677/8, Coram Cur Testeam sacram'tis probate and recordate.

Test: Wm. Randolph, CL, CUR.

A copy teste:

(Signed) Samuel P. Waddell, Clerk.

Henrico County Court, Va. 1895 June 1st.

The following is recorded in Henrico County, Virginia.

Reference. Virginia Historical Magazine and Biography Volume 8 - page 206 continued.

An inventory of all & Sungular the Goods, Cattle and Chattles of Coll. Wm. Farrar, dec'd taken and appraised by us the subscribers according to order of court this 21st day of Feb. 1677. In the Hall lb. Tob. & Casq.

one long table and five Joyne Stooles, old. - - - - - - -0300
one old court cubbard and two wooden chairs (with Backs) and one long forme and one short forme and three small old little chairs - - - 0200
four old high leather Chairs and one old Couch - - - - - - - - - - - - - 0060
one streacked carpit and one pewter bason and uer (ewer) - - - - - - - 0070
three fixt Gunns, 130 p.Guns, one unfixt gunn 40, three horst pistolls, 50 P. Pistoll (Fixt), one old long sword 10 One new drum wee think fitt to leave to the heir, it belonging to ye family, as by ye Armes thereupon appeares, three smoothing irons, 8 p. irons. 8 one p'r old tongs 6, is - 0030

In the linnen chamber

One old little round table 40, two old high leather chairs 20, and one old little wooden chair 5- -0065
three p'r of new Canvis sheets 189, and three p'r of old canvis Sheets 95, three p'r of Holland Sheets 350, and one p'r of Dowlas Sheets 90, One Course new holland table cloth 40, two old course holland table cloths 40, three small table cloth (of canvis) 30, 17 new dowlas napkins 140, 5 old dowlas napkins 20, one dozen of old napkins, 9 pillowbeers, 4 fine towells and three course towells, old, 60- - - - 1054
one old chest with lock and key unfixt- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -- 0020
one fether bed, bolster, pillow, blankett and rugg, very much used, and old high bedstead, one P'r of very old green serg vallains and three curtains- -0600
one fether bed, bolster, pillow, blankett and rug (used), and one old bedstead --0500
one tundle bedstead with a Fether bed, bolster, pillows, blankett and rugg, used ---0400

In the Shedd

one large chest with lock and key - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - ---0100
a p'cell of linnen, Shoves and Cotton this year purchased for the use of the family, w'ch wee have accordingly left for the same use, and also aboute 30 lb of Shott (being dropp shott).

In the outward Chamber

One small old table and old standing cubbard, one Joyne stoole and small old chest ---0150
4 new high leather chairs, 45 P. chairs, 6 low rus-ha leather Chaires at 45 p. chaire --0452
one p'r of small dogge with brass heads - - - - - - - - - - - - - - --0040
two streked carpitts 80, one pewter basom and ure 30, is - - - - ---0110
one small leather trunk w'th lock and key and one Guilt looking glass, both old ---0050
one fether bed, bolster, two pillowes, one blankett and coverlidd. one p'r. of curtains and vallains of red purpetania and a high bedstead, all old ---0700
one sermon book (by Robert Sanderson), the history of Josephus, Rider's dictionary, west's p'r sedents, babbeus Common wealth and a small p'cell of other old books --0200
5½ lb. of plate avoirdepois weight, at 600 p pounds, is - - - - - - --3300

In the Milke House

49½ pounds of old pewter 250, 61½ pounds of new pewter 492.

a new gallon flagon 80, twelve New Pewter porringers and 6 new saucers, pewter 115, a new pewter pott 30, 10½ pounds of new pewter 84, 2 old pewter Chamber potts 30 - 1081
a leaden still and a pewter top - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 0100
7 old time panns, one brasse skinner, one brasse ladle and one brasse slice - 0030
5 brasse Canilesticks -----one of ten old, pottle brasse Skillet one old stew panne and cover and an old thinne Brasse pann - - - - - - - - - 0180

In the room called Mr. Wm. Farrar's room.

one old father bed, bolster, blankett and rugg - - - - - - - - - - - 0400

In the Kitchen

1 great iron pett 70, small iron pott 10, 3 other potts of a Middle size ye bigest of s'ch at 45, ye next biegest 35 and ye least of them 30 - 0190

A very old Copper Kettle and one old kettle (Brasse) containing aboute 14 gallons 50, one brasse kettle containing aboute 5 gallons 50, one iron kettle aboute 4 gallons 35, one old thinne brasse pann and one old brasse skillett w'thout a frame 60 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 0195
4 p'r of pott racks 80, 4 p'r of pott hooks 20, one frying pann 25, two spitts 40, a dripping pann 35, one p'r of fire shovells and tongs and a flesh fork 30 - 0230

without dorres

Eleven Cowes at 400 P. cow is - 4400
Three draught oxen (old) - - - - - - - - - - -500 P. of is - - - - - - 1500
Two three year old steers 300 P. steer is - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 0600
Two two year old heifers 200 P. heifer is - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 0400
One two year old steer - 0200
One two year old bull - 0150
Two yearling calves 100 P. Calfe is - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 0200
17 head of hoggs young and old - 1000
One old horse - 0450
A cart and three oxen chaines w'th wheels - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 0500
One Indian boy named Will, another named Jacke, 2800 P. boy, one English wench 12 months to serve, by reason of her short time of service and her corne and cloth as due at ye expiration thereof we value her at - 0100
one man serv't by name Tho. Davis, twenty months to serve - - - - - 0900
a boy serv't named Geo. Crooker, 5 years to serve - - - - - - - - - 1800
a man serv't named John Knight, 5 years to serve - - - - - - - - - - 1800
a p'cell of old lumber - 0050

The corn we think fitt to leave unappraised for the use of the family, as alsee ye necessary tooles w'ch ye serv'ts work w'th as hoes, axes, etc.

- - - - - - - - -

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The appriz'rs sworne before me
John Farrar

Sworne to in Court Wm. Harris

ye 1st of August 1678 Thomas Cocke,
Essex Bevill.

P. Mr. Farrar
Teste ---- Wm. Randolph Cl. Cur.
Recordat'r: W. R. Cl.

A Copy:

Teste:-
Samuel P. Waddell.
Cl. Henrico County Court, Va.

Colonel William Farrar and Mary, his wife, had issue: (Lizon?)
1-William (5) born 1657 died 1721 Justice of Henrico Co., 1685-1715.

*2-Thomas(5) of whom we take up in full later
3-John (5)
4-Martha (5) married Walter Shipley of Chearles City County
5-Cicely (5)

*Thomas Farrar (5) born 1665, married 1686 Katherine daughter of Richard Perrin, Before 1727 removed to St. James Parish in the present Goochland County. By deed dated Feb. 5, 1727. Thomas Farrar of the parish of St. James conveyed to Thomas Randolph 550 acres adjoining the Clebe land of Varina parish, which land was part of a patent granted to William Farrar, father of the said Thomas, June 1, 1637, and by said William Farrar devised to his son the said Thomas Farrar by will dated May 6, 1676.

Thomas Farrar and Thomas Farrar Jr. join in a bond to secure the executive of this deed.

On October 2, 1693, Thomas and John Farrar had made a partition deed, dividing the lands near Farrar's Island and Varina, bequeathed to them by their father, William Farrar, and their Uncle John Farrar. The land now sold to Thomas Randolph by Thomas Farrar, was doubtless his share of this division.

Thomas Farrar died in Goochland in 1742. His will dated Feb. 28, 1740 and proved June 15, 1742 makes bequeath as follows:
to son John Farrar one shilling in full of his part of the estate, daughters, Martha, Mary and Sarah, one shilling each, in full of their part of the estate:
to daughter Katherine Barnet, one negro woman, to granddaughter Mary Watkins, one negro boy to granddaughter Elizabeth Farrar one negro woman and certain furniture. "After the death of my wife Katherine Farrar." To granddaughter Lucy Farrar one negro woman. All negroes not otherwise bequeathed, to be divided between his wife Katherine Farrar and son Joseph Farrar.

In 1691 Richard Perrin, of Henrico made a deed for the benefit of his daughter Katherine wife of Thomas Farrar and her children, especially Perrin Farrar. In his will, dated 1694, Richard Perrin mentions his daughter Katherine Farrar and his grandchild William and Sarrah Farrar, and grandson Farrar, "not yet baptized", William Farrar is not named in the will of his father, Thomas Farrar but he lived to manhood in Goochland and married.

Issue of Thomas and Katherine Perrin Farrar:
*1-William (6) of whom later much is said.
2-Joseph (6)

3-John (6)
4-Perrin (6) - probably died young
5-Martha (6)
6-Mary (6) married
7-Sarah (6) married
8-Katherine (6) married _____Barnett

*William Farrar (6) Thomas (5), William (4), William (3), of Goochland County was born about 1694 as he was "not yet baptized" in the year as stated in the will of Richard Perrin, and died in 1744. He married Sarah, his will was dated November 14, 1743, and proved June 19, 1744. He bequeaths to his son Thomas his pistols holsters and sword; to son William, one negro girl; to son Richard, one negro boy, to wife Sarah, during her widowhood or life, two negro girls, but after her death to be divided between his sons Joseph and Perrin. All the rest of his personall estate to his wife Sarah during her life, and at her death to be divided equally between his four sons, William, Richard, Joseph and Perrin, and appoints his sons Thomas and William, executirs. (His real estate must have been entailed or already conveyed to his children) Issue:--- (Wm. and Sarah married about 1715)

1. Thomas (7) later (evidently from the records the eldest)
2. William (7) must have been the second son as taken from the r ecords.
3. Joseph (7) later
4. Perrin
*5. Richard (of the seventh generation) of whom later.

Joseph Farra (7) Thomas (5) William (4), William (3), of Goochland Co. was born _____ and died in 1749. He married Mary (Royall) widow of Josiah Woodson. His will was dated August 14, and proved November 21, 1749. He bequeaths to his son Joseph Royal Farrar, the plantations he bought of John Harris, to daughter Lucy Farrar, one negro girl and 100£ Current Money to daughter Elizabeth; one shilling; to son-in-law (Stephen) Joseph Woodson part of a tract on Willis's River; all rest of his land to his son, Joseph Royall Farrar; to wife Mary five negroes, seven silver spoons; All rest of estate to son Joseph Royall; but his wife Mary is to have the use of the said land and stock and household furniture during her life, wife and sons-in-laws (step-sons)John and Joseph Woodson Executors.

Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, Volume 9, page 322. Thomas Farrar(7) William (6), Thomas (5), William (4), William (3), is stated to have been born in 1726 at "Farrar's Island," and died in 1810 aged eighty-four, near Carnesville, Franklin Co. Ga., at the home of his son Abner. He removed first from the place of his birth to Mecklenburg Co., Va., and afterwards to South Carolina. He is said to have served in the Revolution as Colonel (probably of militia) and was sheriff of Ninety-six District in 1790 (though this may have been his son). He married Elizabeth Howard who was buried near August Ga. issue:

1. Abel
2. Absolum
3. Abner
4. Frank
5. Thomas
6. George
7. Mollie
8. Dinnah
9. Elizabeth

10-Thirza born August 2- 1780 died in Lincoln Co. Ga. March 25, 1841. Married Robert Fleming (born June 12- 1777, died at Dand Mills, Augusta, Ga., Jan. 3- 1857).

*Richard Farrar (7) William (6), Thomas (5), William (4), William (3) is the line in which we are interested and in which we are tracing and before we have gone any deeper into this line it might be said here that we have tried to give enough of the collateral lines to show a clear line of the direct lineage we are herein endeavoring to trace. Richard Farrar of the seventh generation, son of William of the sixth generation. It is to be noted that the various children of each generation have corrupted the spelling of the name to Fferrar, fferrer, Ferrar, Ffarrar, Faries, Ffairies, Fara, Faris, Farish, etc. It makes it very hard to get them exactly placed every time, however, the original spelling we will carry out as far as it is found in this direct line, then changing giving the spellings as they are found in the records of the various names. Richard Farrar of this generation lived in Goochland County where he married first Elizabeth Saunders March 20- 1756 (Douglas Parish Register page 104) (also family records in the possession of Mr. R. F. Faris of Winchester, Tennessee). In 1762 he moved with his family to Louisa County where he lived until his death. His residence was said to have been partly in Hanover County and partly in Louisa County, Virginia. He was dead before 1790 and if he left a will it is not recorded in Louisa or Hanover County. (Hanover County records mostly if not all lost) in Louisa County, Virginia, the marriage to his second wife is recorded May 2- 1769 to Susannah Shelton, This bond signed by Wm. Shelton. Whether there were children by the last wife is uncertain but we know that he had issue by the first wife as follows:

1- Stephen, born March 20- 1756 and baptized May 9- 1756 (Douglas Parish Register, page 193). He married in Virginia and was lost sight of.

2- Shadrock, born Sept. 5- 1757 baptized Mar. 26- 1758 (Douglas Parish Register, page 193) died while in his youth.

3- Priscilla, born April 8- 1759 baptized Jan. 17, 1759 (Douglas Parish Register, page 193).

4- Rene born Mar. 22- 1761, baptized June 28, 1761 (Douglas Parish Register)

5- Thomas, settled in Tennessee

6- William married Dec. 16- 1806, in Louisa County, Virginia, Elizabeth Barnett (Bond signed by John Poindexter, She was daughter of Robert F. Barnett) Settled in Tennessee.

7- Richard Farrar (Faris) born 1765 in Louisa County, Virginia and migrated to Franklin County, Tenn. with his brothers in 1811 and was killed in the same year or within a year after his settlement in Tennessee from the kick of a horse. He married in Hanover so County, 1797 Martha McClain who came to Tennessee with him and settled (Later this line will be carried out in full). (see deed)

8-John Farrar (spelled Faris in bible and Farrar in the County Court Records) records of Franklin County, Tenn.) born March 25- 1768 moved to Franklin County, Tenn. near Winchester with his brothers and there settled. In 1814 he built the present old Farris Home at Faris Chapel in Franklin Co., Tenn., about eight miles from Winchester, Tenn. It is in this old house that the compiler saw and copied from the bible the dates given from the year 1761 as regard to the issue of Richard Farrar or Faris as it is therein spelled and also thus in some of the Franklin County, records. Both spellings being often found in the same record. (a copy of the Bible records as could be read will be found elsewhere, bible in very bad condition and some of the dates and part of some names obliterated.)

In 1811 John, Richard, Thomas and William, brothers, came from Louisa County, Virginia, and settled in Franklin County, Tennessee. This record is corroborated by the fact that in the deeds of Franklin County., the purchase of land are recorded by these brothers. You will find a full copy of the first deed in Franklin County of Richard as recorded in the records, elsewhere in this booklet. The same statement is proven again by the Bible as kept by the descendants of John Faris (a copy of the records as near accurate as can be made, several dates and names dim by age, is found elsewhere in this booklet).

Richard Farrar (Faris), born 1765 in Louisa County, Virginia, son of Richard, as has been proven, married in 1797 in Hanover County, Martha McClain or McClelland or McClellan (spelling differs in various branches). They resided in Louisa and Hanover County, Virginia until 1811 in which year they moved to Tennessee near Winchester, Franklin County, where soon after their arrival Richard had the misfortune to be kicked by his horse and died shortly thereafter from the blow. He is buried in the Old Faris Graveyard about four miles on the Huntland Road going from Winchester. The graveyard is an old one in pretty good condition and there are a number of stones with markings, the older ones however are not marked but only rocks were used as head and foot stone, thus we find the graves today with only rocks. Just which of the several unmarked graves are those of Richard and his wife it is impossible to say and descendants who have been born and reared and know the graves as they have for fifty years and up say that it is a positive fact that Richard and his wife are buried in the graveyard but that just exactly which graves are their resting place they can not tell. This, however, is true in many cases and one finds nothing to help in a point like this except the statements of those older members of the present generation.

Mr. R. F. Faris, who spells his name Farris, and who owns the John Faris Family Bible and who lives in the old Faris home of John Faris, states that he knows it is a positive fact that Richard is buried in the Graveyard and he thinks his wife is also buried there but he does not make the statement of the wife as positive as regard that of Richard because he is not certain of the wife's grave, but he knows that Richard Faris was the first of the name buried in the graveyard now called the "Old Faris Graveyard". This name is given unto this place because the "Old Graveyard" was filled many years ago with connections and a new vuring ground was begun near the present home of R. F. Faris in which members of his immediate branch of the family are buried. This is known as the "New Faris Graveyard". The two places are something like one half to a mile apart, if taken in direct route, though the road way makes is much greater distance. Mrs. Martha McClalin Faris was buried in 1843. (Family record of Miss Hopkins, Nashville, Tenn.)

Richard Faris and Martha McClalin, his wife had issue:-

1-Richard or Dick was born 1798 in Louisa Co., Virginia, moved to Franklin Co. Tenn. near Winchester, in 1811 with his parents. This line will be carried out fully later.

2- Susie, Married James Robinson and lived at Paint Rock, Alabama and had four children, Dick, Charles, Bettie Jane, and Mary Ann.

3- Patty, Married a Mr. Taylor and had no children.

4- Nancy, Married Mr. Williamson, and had a son.

5- John married and died young leaving a daughter Amanda and a son Charles

6 & 7 - Twins— Charles B. (called Kit), and a girl born June 4 - 1809. The girl died. Charles B. married a Miss Ransom and lived in Rutherford County, Tennessee. He was a minister. (see letters from Mr. John Faris of Overall elsewhere in this booklet.)

Richard Faris, Jr., born 1798 the eldest child of the family, was born in Louisa Co. Virginia, and moved to Franklin Co. Tenn., with his parents in 1811. Some of the sisters of Richard, especially Patty who married a Mr. Taylor, and John Faris, a brother, moved to Mississippi prior to 1828 and there settled in Hinds Co., in about 1827 Richard went to Mississippi to visit his brother and sister and while there married Mrs. Margaret Johnston, a widow and a native of North Carolina, in 1827. To this union were born three children. Richard, becoming a man of some means when going to Mississippi, and after his marriage or after he decided to make his home in that section, purchased large plantations and was considered a man of means. It is not known whether Mrs. Johnston had any property or not but knowing that the Faris family were always people of means, it is likely that she too, was a woman of some means. After four years of married life in Mississippi, Richard lost his wife in that county after the birth of their third child. This was in 1832 on Sept. 30th. This loss left Richard with three children or I might say two as the eldest child had died. Knowing that he could not care for the infants as they should be, and knowing that his sister had already the care of their brother's two orphans Charles and Amanda, he could not expect her to take the burden of rearing both his daughters, so leaving the youngest child Margaret with Mrs. Taylor, he Richard, sells the plantations in Mississippi and with his little fortune in case, and his oldest daughter Mary Jane, departed via, boat accompanied by a Black Mammie to care for the child, for his brothers in Rutherford County, Tennessee. After leaving Mississippi and on the way to Tennessee he became interested in card playing or some form of amusement on the vessel and it is said displayed his roll of currency. This let the passengers know of his wealth and in some way he was killed before reaching Nashville, his destination by water. It is said by some of the members of the family that one of the men, supposedly a real friend of his, brought his body on to Nashville and buried him in the Old City Cemetery, others, however, say that he was buried in the river and never reached Nashville. The records of the Old City Cemetery having been lost many years ago and the only available record of those buried therein at this date is one compiled from tombs a few years ago, therefore those not having stones are lost track of forever. At any rate it is positively stated and known to be a fact by all members in Tennessee of the family that the black "Mammy" brought the child on to Nashville, going then to Mr. C. B. (Kit) Faris, brother of Richard, who then was living in Rutherford County, or who moved to Rutherford about that time, and there the child made her home. She was then three years old, and was reared by her uncle Charles B. (Kit) Faris, near Murfreesboro, a place called Overall, Rutherford County, Tennessee. This was in January 1833, and it is said that Richard met his death on Jan. 1, 1833. (Family records in possession of Mr. John Faris, of Overall, son of C. B. (Kit) Faris, and Miss Hopkins of Villa Place, Nashville, Tenn. makes about the same statement in regard to these facts which she has collected from various members of the family). Mrs. Margaret Johnston, wife of Richard Faris died in Mississippi September 30, 1832 and is there buried.

14 - Hopkins

Issue of Richard and Margaret Faris:-

1-Julia Virginia born Jan. 2-1828 died July 19-1832 in Mississippi

2-Mary Jane, born Jan. 1-1830, the child that made the trip to Tennessee with the "Black Mammy" and who was reared by her Uncle Mr. Charles B. (Kit) Fairs, of overall, Rutherford, County, Tenn. She married Samuel M. Hopkins, Sept. 11, 1849, by Mr. Charles B., (Kit) Faris, who was then Rev. C. B. Faris, of Rutherford County, Tenn. The Rev. Richard Ransom assisted. For a complete line of descendants of this union you will find given in the following writings.

3-Margaret, born Jan. 2-1832, was reared by her aunt, Mrs. Taylor of Mississippi, and married John W. Weilenman, the grandparents Mrs. William J. Taylor of Greeneville, Mississippi.

(Note---copies of letters and Bible records, deeds and other data which has aided in this compilation will be found under the head of additional data, and are given in exact copies as found by the compiler -- Mrs. Whitley).

Here we attempt to complete the lineage of Mary Jane Faris, as above stated. She was born in Mississippi Jan. 1, 1830 the second child of her parents, and come to Tennessee with her "Black Mammy" in Jan. 1833 after the death of her mother and the murder of her father en route to Tennessee. Resided and was reared by her uncle Mr. C. B. Faris of Overall, Rutherford County. She married Samuel M. Hopkins Sept. 11, 1849 by the Rev. Charles B. Faris and Rev. Richard Ransom. Mr. Hopkins Hopkins descends from the notable Hopkins family of the early settlement of Virginia, Pennsylvania and North Carolina. It might be said of his family - - - - - -

Three brothers came from England and settled, one in Virginia, one in North Carolina, and one in Pennsylvania. William D. Hopkins, father of Samuel M. Hopkins came from near Raleigh, North Carolina to Tennessee and it is said that he rode on horseback in company with his cousin John McCullen, a Presbyterian Minister. He married Cynthia Copeland (Scotch). He died at the age of thirty one and she at the age of thirty two leaving three sons, James Copeland, William D. and Samuel Meredith who married Miss Mary Faris, Samuel Meredith Hopkins was born Sept. 10, 1828 and died Jan. 27, 1895.

Mary Jane Faris the wife of Samuel Hopkins died April 23, 1912. Their issue --

1. James S. Hopkins. born July 16, 1850 and died Dec. 19, 1923. Married Mary Kinnard, Jan. 3, 1875, and left issue. (later)
2. Charles W. Hopkins, born April 19, 1852 and died Nov. 1, 1918
3. John C. Hopkins, born July 22, 1854, married Nannie Alexander April 25, 1888. (later)
4. Samuel R. Hopkins, born July 11, 1857 and died July 29, 1893. Married Mary Ogilvie Dec. 28, 1893.
5. Sidney J. Hopkins, born Jan. 1, 1862 (later)
6. Mary Lena Hopkins, born July 27, 1864 died Jan. 31, 1888.
7. Robert F. Hopkins, born Oct. 11, 1870 died Sept. 1, 1924.

Note: There is no page 15 - Hopkins
turn to page 16.

James S. Hopkins, born July 16, 1850 married Mary Kinnard Jan. 3, 1875. He died Dec. 19, 1923 and she died March 9, 1928. The line in direct descent of James S. Hopkins to the first generation of this sketch is as follows: Nicholas, William William, Thomas, William Richard, Richard, Richard, Mary Jane, Issue of James S. and Mary Kinnard as follows:-

1-Ross Hopkins born Sept. 25, 1876 married April 19, 1899. Margaret Ferguson of Marshall County, Tennessee. Ross Hopkins full name being Maney Ross Hopkins. Mrs. Hopkins traces her lineage to the Brittains and Oakleys of Revolutionar service of North Carolina.

A. Sarah Robinson Hopkins born August 20, 1901, married Roy Thompson, Oct. 21, 1925 and have a son Ross Hopkins Thompson, born July 24, 1926. Living in Nashville, Tenn. Margaret Evelyn B. Mar. 2, 1933.

B. James Ross Hopkins, born Oct. 25, 1910.

2. James K. Hopkins, born July 21, 1881, died Sept. 28, 1898.

John C. Hopkins born July 22, 1854, traces his lineage in this pedigree as follows: Nicholas, William, William Thomas, William, Richard, Richard, Richard, Mary Jane. John C. married Nannie Alexander April 25, 1888. Both living in Nashville, Tennessee, have issue:-

A. Mary Belle Hopkins born April 9, 1889, living with her parents on Villa Place, Nashville, Tenn. unmarried.

B. Infant daughter born and died August 4, 1896.

Sidney J. Hopkins born Jan. 1, 1862 married Emma Haley, Feb. 20, 1895 and she died July 15, 1910. He traces his lineage in this sketch as follows: Nicholas, William, William, Thomas, William, Richard, Richard, Richard, Mary Jane, He has issue;-

1-Mary Kate Hopkins born Dec. 6, 1895 married William Tillman Haynes Sept. 10, 1918, residing in Murfreesboro, Tennessee., in Rutherford County. They have issue:

A. William Tillman Haynes, Jr., born Aug. 31, 1919

B. Martha Ann Haynes, born Feb. 26, 1922

(NOTE---William D. Hopkins who was father of Samuel M. Hopkins, husband of Mary Jane Faris, was born July 2, 1903 and died August 13, 1834. His wife Cynthia Ann Copeland born April 19, 1802 and died May 15, 1884. They were married August 24, 1834. They are buried in what is now known as Old Frost Place near Brentwood, Williamson Co., (Nashville, Tenn. the resident of many members of the above family.) The dates are largely taken from tombstones in the above cemetery, and the rest are taken from family Bible of Mary Jane Faris Hopkins.--Whitley).

CHART OF LINEAGE

(Chart shows only direct line of descents of Mary Jane Faris).

Nicholas Farrar (1546-) & Mary Wodenoth

Ancestor (1) William (Va. 1621) & Cicely Jordan (widow)
Member of Council 1623-33. Col. Ancestor.

William (1620-1677) & Mary _____? Colonial Ancestor. Was in House of Burgesses 1659 and 1660.

Thomas (1665-1742) & Katherine Perrin.

William (1694-1744) & Sarah Farrar (1695-after 1744) md. 1715

Richard (1725-before 1790) md. twice. First Elizabeth Saunders Married in Goochland Co. died in Hanover Co. Buried records.

Richard & Martha McClalin. Revolutionary Soldier (D.A.R. record)

Richard (1798-1833) & 1827 Margaret Johnston (d. 1832.)

Mary Jane and Samuel M. Hopkins of Mississippi and Tennessee

John C. Charles W. Sam. R. James S. Sidney J. Mary L. Ross

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ADDITIONAL DATA

Family Records

BIRTHS DEATHS MARRIAGES

Nannie Alexander Hopkins (wife of John C.) died June 10, 1931
John Copeland Hopkins, died June 28, 1931

L E T T E R S

September 1, 1930

My father was C. B. Faris, mother was Mary Jane Ransom, Sept. 3, 1840. My wife was Elizabeth Hopkins, were married 18th April 1886 and at College Grove, Williamson County. She was daughter of James Copeland Hopkins was born Oct. 12th- 1847.

My father born June 4th 1809 in Franklin County, Tennessee. My grandfather was Dick Faris, grandmother was Martha McClennan lived in Franklin County, Tennessee. There sere married in Virginia. My grandfather died in 1809. Is buried in Franklin County. She died in 1843 buried at Family Cemetery near where they settled. I can not give birth dates. They came from Virginia. I cannot tell whose daughter she was. Have never heard of him. I know not of the family you speak of. The Faris Family lived 1½ miles west of Winchester where settled. I never knew much of Faris Family. I was 3 years old when my father moved from there to Rutherford County on farm where he lived and died. He belonged to Tennessee Conference and preached 55 years died August 4th- 1888. My mother died Oct. 1858. If not too inquistive would like to know your motive in asking these questions. We are in 65th year of our married life live within 2 miles of where I was raised.-----
Respectfully, Jno. W. Faris.
(on another sheet enclosed is the following:-

Will now give you little of my family history. We have 10 living children, but are scattered. I served 4 years in Civil War was surrendered by Gen. Forrost 10th day of May 1865. I have been a Mason for 60 years, last March when with my Lodge 50 years they made me a life member free from all dues. My youngest brother Alfred Faris is a minister, has been for 50 years lives now in Missouri. There were 9 children only four living. 2 boys oldest and youngest, two sisters in South Pittsburg, Tennessee.

Will be glad to hear from you. I can't see to write lost my sight some years ago that is to write so my wife has to do writing and reading for me. Excuse this, per wife. We have two daughters living in Nashville are on Elkins Avenue, West Nashville 4810 and 4811 Mrs. W. B. Thompson and Mrs. E. B. Holt.
(The above letter and enclosure was from Mr. John W. Faris of Overall, Tennessee, Rutherford County, son of Rev. C. B. (Kit) Faris, and I think the oldest member of the Faris Family living at the time this letter was written. Mr. John Faris who wrote this letter died during February or March of this year).

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Faris Chapel, Tenn.
Aug. 29 - 1930

Mrs. Edyth Whitley
Nashville, Tenn.

I am answering your letter in regard to Mr. Richard Faris that you refer to. I know nothing of him. Don't remember hearing of his Death. You said you visited Faris Chapel Church found a new grave yard. That Church has bin built about 45 years. Just one half mile west of their was the Old Faris Chapel and an old Graveyard. You were close to an Old Faris House that has been in the family I suppose for 85 years, now owned by a grandson of the Old man Johnnie Faris. In going from Winchester to the you past a store and this Post Office with in one-half mile of the church, Sure wish you had

stopped here. Sure would of you ency information I could in regard to this family. T here have been lots of the Farrieses in this neighborhood but all of the old ones are dead, so I will refer you to one of the family who has records of the family and has kept up with them. Probably could give you some light on it. His name and address, R. F. Faris, Winchester, Tenn. R. F. D. 3.

Yours truly,
T. A. Roberson, Postmaster
Faris Chapel, Tenn.

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Winchester, Tenn.
Aug. 25 - 1930

Mrs. Edytho Rucker Whitley
1506- Hawkins Street
Nashville, Tenn.

Your letter inquiring about the Faris "Tribe" came into my hand a few days ago by accident. And I will try to refer you to a party who I think can give you more information than any one I know. I am not Absolum Faris and I don't know of anyone by that name. My grandfather was John Faris, came from Virginia in 1814 and settled in Franklin County, If you will write to John W. Faris, Overall, Tenn. R. F. D. #1, Box 30. I think he can give you some information. I have a letter from him in regard to the family. If you fail to hear from him I could send you his letter, but am sure he or some of the family will answer you. He is a very old man. He is old and is about blind but you will get an answer. His father was the Kit Faris you mention and was a cousin to my father (Littleton Faris). Your given name is a common name in our family but they spelled it Editha, I would be glad to hear from you again.

Respectuflly,
Robert F. Faris,
Winchester, Tenn.

Route #3
(This letter is the first I had from the man in Franklin County who owns and possesses the bible referred to in the history. After having two letters from him I went to his place and copied the data as you will find later).

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Winchester, Tenn.
Sept. 12- 1931

Mrs. Edytho Rucker Whitley
Nashville, Tenn.
Dear Madam:-

Yours of late date to hand. Am returning sheet with your questions answered as best I can. I am well acquainted with Mr. Ben Grizard and if he cannot come with you to my place. I am about one half mile off the road you went to Faris Chapel church turn to right about 100 yards from church and you will find our place. Hoping to be of some service to you, I am

Respectfully,
Rovert F. Faris,
Winchester, Tenn.

(The query follows)
From whom did your father Littleton Faris get his name? A Mr. Littleton. Did you ever hear of the County in Virginia from which your people came when settling in Franklin County? Mother's people came from Louisa County. Think father's were from same County.
What was the name of Martha McClellan's father or mother? Do not know.

Did any other member of the Faris Family come to Tennessee, Franklin County with your great grandfather? Do not know.
Did any of Richard Faris Sr's. brothers and sisters come with him to Tennessee? He had brothers here. Don't know whether they came with him or not.
Do you know in what county the land that Richard Faris first settled on was in at that time. (Franklin was cut from Bedford and Warren Counties)
Which of these was the Faris land in? I think Warren. I know that some of the old deeds were recorded in that county. Do you know if the old records of the Old Faris Chapel Church are still in existance and is fo who has them? I think they were destroyed during the Civil War.
Do you know if there is an old Faris Bible handed down from generations to generations and if so who has this old bible and does it have any family records in it? We have the oldest I know of. It contains only a record of our immediate family. I find on a fly leaf this "John Faris landed at this place January 8-1814".
When did John Faris die? Your grandfather I mean? When was your father born? What was your grandmother's name? and your mothers name? Was your grandfather married in Franklin County or where? My grandfather died 1853. Father born 1808. Grandmother's name was Mary Rowe. Mother's name Elizabeth Sims. Grandfather ma rried in Virginia.
Add anything else you know or can find out. Thanks.
The Grave yard you mention as being near the church you visited contains none of the older Faris Family except my father. You will find some of the older family buried on the Highway from Winchester to Belvidere.
Would be glad to go with you and show you any place you would like to go.
(The query was sent by me to this Mr. Faris and he answered them).

(After receiving the above letters and others and hints from various places, I made another trip up to the section and to the Court House in Winchester, the results of this trip are to be given as follows:
The Bible records in the Bible in possession of R. F. Faris and above related to--- some of the dates and records are so dim it was necessary to trace the lines to get any results, by using a high powered glass, even then some of the oldest records, as it may appear were faded entirely away and could not be ma de only in very uncertain lines. A copy as near as possible to make is as follows:-) (these records were written all over the bible with no regularity and I have therefore had to take them down just in jots).

John Faris was born the 25th of March, 1768.
Jan. 8, 1814 landed at this place in Franklin County.
Jane Farris daughter of John Faris and Mary Faris who was born June 12-17_____. She was Mary Rowe.
(Note the spelling with one and then two "r's" in above).
Hezekiah Faris born June 1797.
Susannah Faris was born July 7 - 1799.
Martha Faris born March 5 - 1801.
Elizabeth Faris born Oct. 9 - 1803.
Littleton Faris was son of John Faris and Molly. Littleton born August 27 - 1808 (note the spelling of Faris changes again in this record, the change being very distinct and carefully noted).
John T. Faris son of Littleton Faris and Margaret E. Sims was born January 31- 1859.
Robert Franklin Faris was born Dec. 3-1860 (This is the owner of the bible)/
William Littleton Faris was born Sept. 20-1862.
Martha Frances Faris was born July 27- 1864.
Mary Florence Faris was born Sept. 7- 1872 (she lives with Mr. Robert F. Faris in the old Faris home).
William James was born May 15, 1813.

James Madison Faris son of Joseph Faris and Susan Faris was born Feb. 2-1826.

Lucy Jane Faris was born January 11- 1828.

Mary Elen Faris was born August 6- 1830.

James L. Green, son of Nancy Wood and Thomas Green was born Nov. 28- 1795.

Martha Faris daughter of John Faris and Mary Rowe was born March 3- 1801.

The above mentioned couple were married Nov. 30- 1819.

Albert G. Greene was born Nov. 5- 1820.

Lewis Gillespie. This wife was married the sixth day of March 1801.

Macagric Elmore Gillespie was born the 6th day of December, 1801.

William H. Gillespie was born the 20th day of November 1802.

James Gillespie was born the 13 day of January 1804.

Littleton Faris died May the 12- 1877.

Susan Faris died Feb. 16- 1853.

John Faris Dec. April 6- 1853

Mary Faris wife of John Faris dead April 17-1846.

James P. Green and Martha Faris was married Nov. 20th. in the year of Christ, 1819.

(The following from other old papers found in this same house).

(John, Richard, William, and Thomas Faris were brothers.

John, Richard, William, and Thomas Faris came from Louisa Co., Va. Hezekiah was son of John Faris.)

Hezekian had issue:- Berry, Saunders, some daughters, one who married a Dinson or Denson.

Mr. Peter Green of Austin, Texas, in the Confederate Soldiers Home is of this family.

(Some statements taken from Mr. R. F. Faris, which he says is his own knowledge having learned from his parents as follows:-

Richard Faris, was a brother of John Faris, his ancestor, and came from Virginia either with John Faris or about the same time as did Richard. He said that Richard was killed the first year after he settled in Franklin County, His home having been made on the road that now is the Huntland and Belvidere Road and near the Oldest Faris Graveyard. That Richard was killed by the kick of a horse. The Mrs. Martha Faris (did not know her maiden name but that she was the widow of Richard Faris), he had heard his father speak of often and that she was the widow of Richard Faris who was killed by the horse, and that she died in that same section, although he was not sure about her being buried in Faris Graveyard but he thought that she was. She lived on the same place that her husband settled until her death. That C. B. (Kit) Faris, Richard, Jr. and John Faris were her sons and that he knew Kit Faris personally and knew that they were second cousins he thought. That Kit Faris was son of Richard or Dick Faris who was killed by the horse and that Richard or Dick Faris was a brother of his grandfather John Faris who came from Virginia. That he was positive that they were sons of a Richard Faris and that this Richard Faris wife was Miss Saunders, as Hezekiah, his uncle named his son Saunders Faris after his grandmother. That the name Richard, although not recorded in the bible was a family name in several branches of the family and that he had known at least three Richard Faris in his life, most of whom were dead by the time he was grown. That he had at one time some letters and papers in which it was stated that the four brothers were sons of a Richard Faris and Miss Saunders in Virginia but that several years ago he let a relative Alfred Faris who at that time was interested in Family history have the papers to use in the work of tracing the family and that Alfred Faris never returned the papers to him. He remembers however, a number of the statements in the

letters, as he had read them the last time on the day he gave them to Mr. Alfred Faris. Some of them were dated as early as 1814 he said, and were from relatives in Virginia. I asked him if Richard Faris who came to Tennessee, was older or younger than his grandfather and he said he thought he was older although he would not say this positive. He says that it is tradition in the family that his grandfather was the youngest child of his parents and that his mother died when he was young. This is only traditional and he is notpositive on this statement. It is traditiona l that these brothers who came from Virginia were of a very large family and were sons of a Revolutionary Soldier, that the father and several sons served during that War. His grandfather, John, was not in the Revolution he said, that his father told him many a time that his fa ther was a little boy during the Revolution and did not fight but that he had related in his older days many stories of his brothers in the wa r to his (John's) grandchildren. These were children of Littleton's brothers and sisters as Littleton was near fifty or past when he married and that his father had died before his marriage. He said his fa ther, Littleton, was a constant companion of his father, John, in his old age and that is probably the reason for his late marriage, but that his father, Littleton, knew more about his father than any other member of the family on account of this close association. I believe this takes in all the statements and facts obtained from Mr. R. F. Faris and his personal knowledge of the family.

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The following from the tombstone in Faris Graveyard----on Belvidere Road known as the Old Faris Graveyard and the one in which it is positively stated Richard Faris the oldest of which we have record and who was killed by the horse, was the first buried. This is a pretty graveyard for a family burying ground. It does need some repairs, but taking as a whole is in better condition than the average family burying ground now unused. The place is a pretty good size one and I might estimate some fifty or thereabout graves, but not many of them have stones, some have stones that I imagine have had cuts on them but now entirely gone with age. Those possible to read are as follows:-

Susan Anne Faris wife of William H. Horton, born April 8, 1860, dies Oct. 21-1892.

Lucy Jane Farris, born Feb. 13- 1865 died Sept. 1- 1895 age 30 yrs. 6 months, 13 days. (Note the spelling on this tone, this was plain).

Lucy J. wife of J. S. Faris born Jan. 10- 1828 died June 23-1883.

James S. Faris born May 24- 1832 died Dec. 29- 1889.

Loulolah Faris daughter of J.S. and P.J. Faris born Oct. 8- 1855 died June 25- 1890.

John S. Waldman born A ug. 21-1849 and died Aug. 14- 1890 .

Cora A. , Wife of J. S. WALDMAN, daughter of J.E. Morris, born Feb. 5-1852, died Aug. 28- 1882, age 30 years,6 months, and 3 days.

John H. Morris, born Mar. 10- 1823 died Jan. 3- 1869, husband of Mary E. Morris.

Mary E. Faris (Note this is spelled Farris on stone) wife of John H. Morris born Aug. 6- 1880 married Mar. 16- 1899, died Aug. 8- 1908.

William J. son of J. H. and Mary E. Farris (this was in bad condition and could not be completed,- I think it was Morris)

Mary, wife of John Faris, died April 17- 1846 in 81st year of her age (dim but in fair condition).

To the memory of Elizabeth Cook, born Oct. 29- 1803 departed this life Aug. 13- 1834.

John Faris born March 25- 1768 died April 6- 1853 in 86th year of his age.

(there are some stones in the other Faris Graveyard but my time was limited

and after being told by Mr. R. F. Faris that none of them would help me any as they were of later date, the oldest being his father Littleton Faris I did not go over and copy the stones in it).

In Winchester at the Court House of Franklin County, I found in the Deed Books that there were over two pages of references to Faris, Farris, Ferris, Farrar in the Index to the deeds. I did not copy all of them but took some of the oldest, mostly before 1850 and will give a list of the various names I find thereon.

Littleton
M. L.
Nancy
Nannie
N. F.
Owny
Richard
Richard N.
Sanders (Saunders)
James D.
James S.
Jennie
Joe
Joe A.
John
Henrietta
Hezekian
Charles
Alexander
Benjamine (an elderly man)
Charles B.
Louis
Thomas
Sam K.
Susan
Unity Jane

I made the following note showing that there were Richard Faris at various dates, etc. Book P. page 477--- Joel Matthews, D. C. to Richard C. Faris, 170 acres on Rocky Branch and Turkey Creek, Franklin County, Examined, handed to Faris Nov. 11- 1837. This deed states Richard C. Faris Heirs and speaks of Matthew Heirs, Jan. 27- 1837.

Another of interest, Book Q page 112--- C. B. Jones lots in Winchester, Jones of Monroe County, Miss., and S. Faris of Franklin Co., Tenn.

The following is a deed to the land purchased by Richard Faris and proves that he came from Louisa Co., Va., Deed Book B. page 86, Franklin Co., deeds in the Court House at Winchester, Tennessee.

This indenture made this twenty fifty day of May in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eleven Between Howell Tatum, George M. Deadrick, Elisha S. Hall and William Lytle, Junr. and Robert Searcey, all of the county of Davidson and State of Tennessee of the one part and Richard Faris of the County of Louisa and State of Virginia of the other part witnesseth that the said Howell George, Elisha S. and William and Robert for and in consideration of the sum of nine hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said Richard the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained sold aliened conveyed and confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell aliened convey and confirm unto the said Richard all their several rights and titles in and to a certain tract of land lying and being in the County of Franklin and State of Tennessee on both sides of Elk River near the mouth of the Boiling Fork including the improvements made by Elenezer Picket and bounded as follows to wit: Beginning at two small white oakes on the south bank of Elk River one of which is the Northwest corner of a tract of land entered in the name of Joel Lewis and others running from thence North five and a half degrees west to Moses Ayers south boundary line on the top of the north bank of said Elk River thence down the said river with the meanders of

the top of the bank said Ayer's south boundary to the west boundary line of the tract of land containing six hundred and ninety acres granted to said Howell thence South five and half degrees to the South west corner of said tract a chestnut and two black gum trees thence North eighty four and a half degrees east to the Beginning, containing by estimation three hundred and fifty acres be the same more or less together with all woods waters rivers minerals hereditaments and appurtenances. To have and to hold the before recited tract of land and bargained with all and singular the remainder and the remainders and reversion and reversions rents, issues and profits of in and to the same belonging to or appertaining to the only proper use benefit and behoof of him the said Richard his heirs and assigns forever the said Howell Tatum and Robert Scarcey for themselves their Heirs executors and administrators doth hereby conventanted and agree to and with theaforesaid Richard Faris his heirs and assigns that the before recited tract of land and bargained premises they will warrant and defend against the right title interest claim and demand of all and every person or persons whatsoever in witness whereof the parties aforesaid have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals, the day and year first herein written-----Interlined with the words "Robert Scarcey" and "Robert" before Signing,

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
Isaac Stitler
Boyd McNairy
James Farris, Junr.
Stephen Cantrell, Jr.

Ho: Tatum (SEAL)
George M. Deadrick (SEAL)
E. S. Hall, (SEAL)
Robert Scarcey (SEAL)

Thos. D. Wiggins:
State of Tenn.

Franklin County, Feb. session 1812

Then the within deed of conveyance was proven in open Court by the oath of James Farris and Thos. D. Wiggins subscribing witness thereto and ordered to be registered. Let it be registered

Janas Spyker, CLK.

Among the grants of the State Archives in the State Department of Archives, Land Office, Nashville, are found the following:

(All Franklin County, Tennessee).

Grantee------Hezekiah Faris, Grant # 9590, acres 27 date May 15- 1848 Book W. page 108.

Grantee------Absolum Faris, Grant 553, acres 100 dated June 18- 1828 Book A page 372.

Grantee------Absolum Faris, Grant 554, 100 acres Dated June 18- 1828 Book A. page 373.

Grantee------Absolum Farris, Grant 5622 a cres 50 dated March 27- 1827 Book #1, Page 773.

Grantee------Absolum Farris, Senr., grant 6352 for 302 acres, dated Sept. 18- 1838, Book K, page 232.

Grantee------Farris & Hancock Grant 9360 for 29 acres Dated Sept. 20- 1847 Book V. page 166.

Grantee------Absolum Farries, Grant 500 for 50 acres June 21- 1828 Book B. page 32.

Grantee------Absolom Farris, Grant 2110 for 50 acres dated July 2- 1831 Book D. page 87.

Grantee------Abs olom Farris Grant 6370 for 400 acres dated Sept. 18- 1838 Book K. page 235.

Grantee------Absolom Farria, Grant 6369 for 50 acres Sept. 19- 1838 Book K. page 235.

Grantee------Absolom Farris, Grant 5694, for 50 acres April 9- 1827 Book 3 page 45.

Grantee------Absolom Farris, Grant 5869 acres Dated July 28- 1814 Book 5 page 635.

Grantee------Absolom Farris, Grant 5627 acres 25, dated May 30- 1814 Book 5, page 634.

Grantee------Absolom Farris, Grant 3446 acres 100 dated Nov. 3- 1834, Book E. page 334.

Grantee------Richard Farris, Grant 11543 for 33 acres Dated March 1- 1856 Book 10 page 715.

Grantee------Richard Farrics, grant 1279 for 50 acres dated June 22- 1829 Book C page 185.

Grantee------Richard Farriss, grant 2973, for 96 acres dated Dec. 30- 1825, Book 2 page 632.

Grantee------Richard Farris, grant 11543, for 33 acres dated March 1- 1856 Book Y page 396.

There are other grants to other Faris, Farris, and etc., which have no bearing on this lineage and we therefore omit same.

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The line or branch from which Absolom Faris descends is the Alabama and South Carolina branch from Virginia into Tennessee.

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The following are some records sent to me from Louisa County, Va., by Mr. P. B. Porter, of Louisa, Co.

Farris, John to Rowe, Mary, Sept. 16- 1794 Bond------dau. of John Rowe, Sr., father's consent. Witness Stephen Rowe.

Faris, John to Johnson, Jane, daughter of Thomas Johnson, father's consent, Bond - - - John Baber, witness Wm. R. Bellamy, Aug. 17- 1818.

Farris, Benjamine to Bunch, Martha Nov. 15- 1813. Bond- - William Walker, witness George C. Wheeler.

Faris, Charles, to Boyd, Mildred, Dec. 3- 1804 dau. of John Boyd, father's consent, Bond- - William Boyd, Witness N. J. Poindexter.

Farrish, Stephen M. to Armstrong, Sarah, Feb. 22- 1819 dau. of James Armstrong, Bond- - Ellis Armstrong, Witness John Hunter.

Farrar, James E., to Waddy, Sally T. daughter William Waddy, Esqr., father's consent, Bond- - Wm. Waddy, Jr., Feb. 26- 1847.

Farrar, John to Grubbs, Sally, Feb. 20- 1809 dau. Matthew Grubbs, Father's consent, Bond- - William Grubbs, witness, Martha Grubbs.

Richard Farrar, to Shelton, Susannah, May 2- 1769, Bond- - Wm. Shelton.

Stephen Farra, to Duncan, Susan C. June 5- 1820 daughter Robert Duncan, father's consent Bond- - Francis Waldrop.

Farrar, William to Barnett, Elizabeth, Dec. 16- 1806 daughter Robert F. Barnett, Bond, witnesses, John Poindexter.

I find the following Faris deeds other than Richard:

Benjamine Faris, O. 183, 1819.
Chas. Faris, L. 560, 1811.
Hezekiah Faris, K. 173 1805
John Faris, C. 171 1792.
Richard Faris, J. 24 1800
William Faris, J. 674 1804.

(The following is the Revolutionary service of Richard Faris of Louisa County and of Franklin Co. Tenn.).

1610 Confederate Ave.,
Richmond, Va.
Oct. 21- 1930

My dear Mrs. Whitley.

Enclosed you will find the Military record of Richard Faris.

In the last record I sent you I did not intend being so short I just failed to inclose the note which I had written and did not think it worth sending later.

I hope you have been well this unusual summer and fall, there have been so many changes which has caused so much sickness here. Perhaps your section has not been so hard hit by the drought. Best wishes I am

Sincerely,
Mary H. Pollard,
(Mrs. James C.).

(The enclosed is as follows:-

Revolutionary Record Richard Faris

This certifies that the following is a correct copy from records preserved in the Virginia State Library, the reference is "B. W." bounty warrant.

In a list of Privates who have not drawn their bounty bonds the name of Richard Faris appears. This list was compiled by John Blagrove Registrar of the Land Office in Richmond, Va. on December 11- 1811.

Mary H. Pollard.
(note this is the service for Richard Faris born 1765 in Louisa County, Va. and who came to Tenn.-- Whitley).

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